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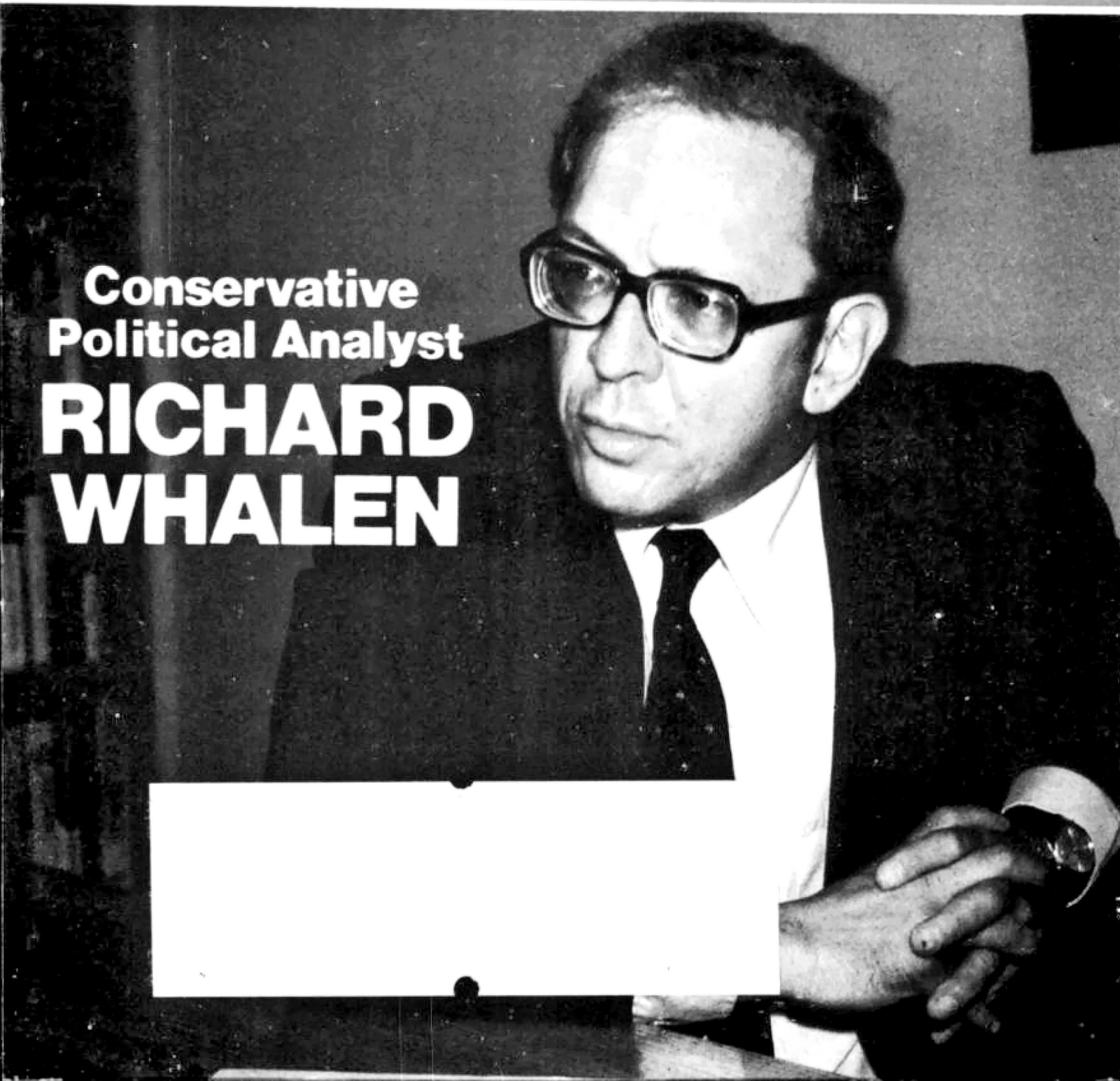

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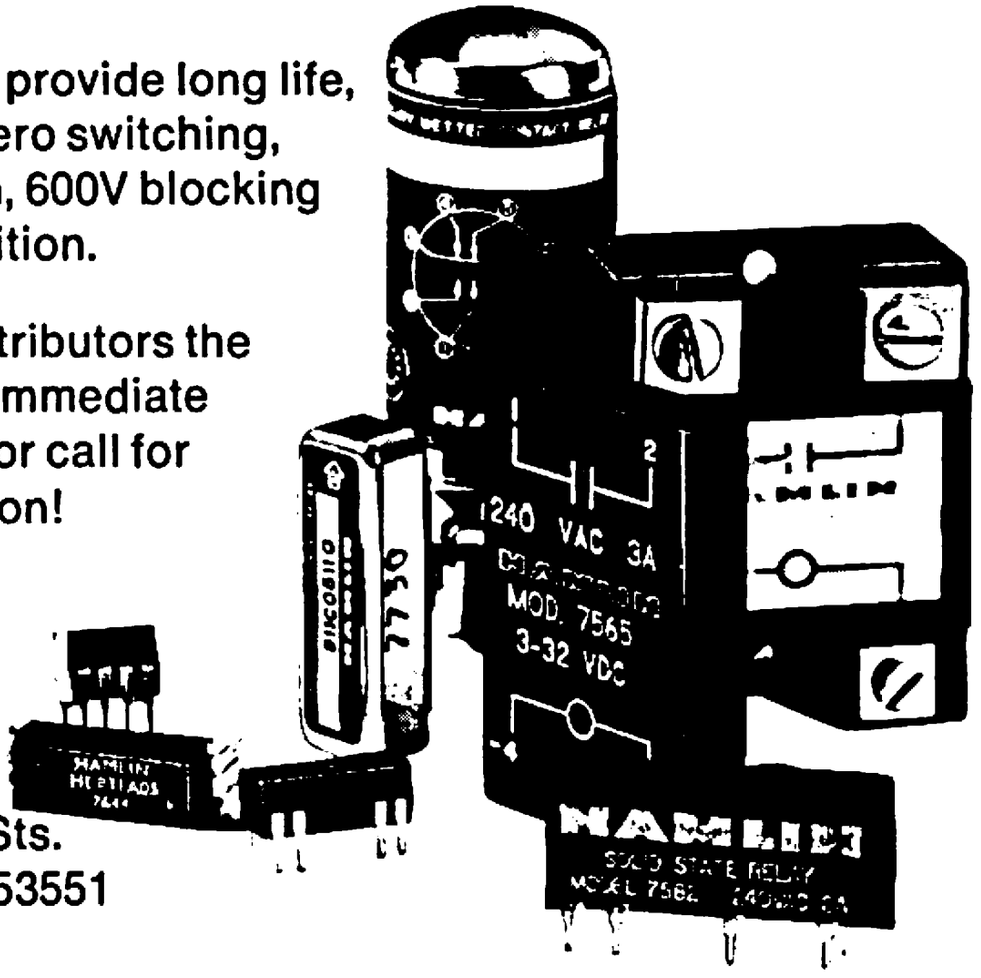

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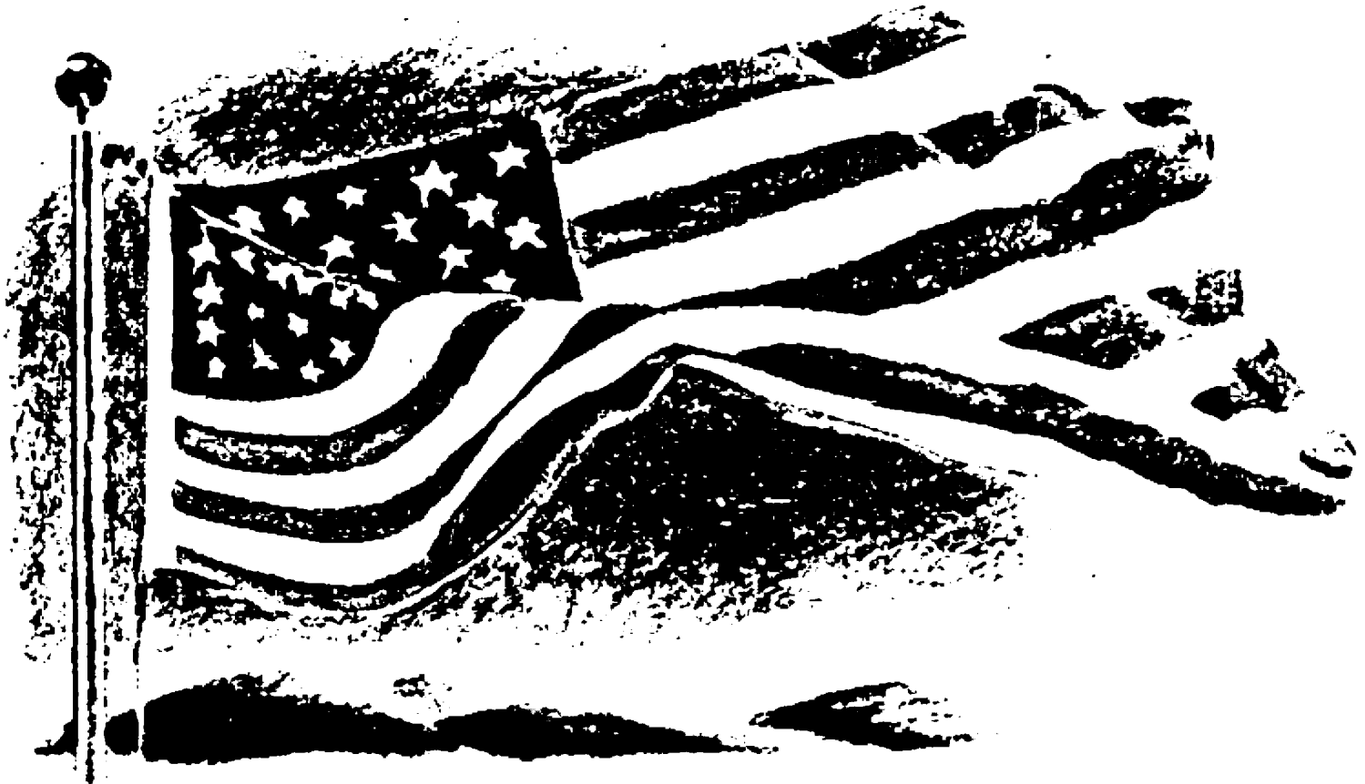

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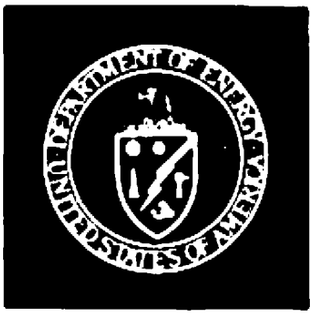

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The Inside Page

Defense analysts are publicly admitting Soviet ability to launch a first-strike nuclear missile attack against Washington from submarines cruising off the Maryland-Virginia shore. Such a surprise attack could destroy the U.S. command centers with only a seven-minute warning — too little to verify the attack and give the command for a counterstrike. Ten minutes are needed to enable the President and the counterattack command to escape.

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Fidel Castro has sent 12 to 15 Soviet-built Antonov An-2 aircraft to Nicaragua. Based in Managua and the city of Chinandega, these planes make daily 4 a.m. takeoffs, fly across the Gulf of Fonseca to El Salvador, and unload cargoes of arms and ammunition for the Marxist terrorists operating there.

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Cuban-directed terrorists operating in El Salvador are being trained at a base in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua. Terrorist recruits and wounded comrades are flown out of El Salvador aboard Soviet-built Antonov An-2s.

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Reliable reports that the Soviet Union is constructing a military airbase in Nicaragua were denied by Soviet Ambassador to Managua German Shlyapnikov. Cubans are building the airbase some 100 kilometers inland from Puerto Cabezas and are being assisted by Soviet technical advisors.

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Recognizing that their political careers could be over after the November elections, Senators George McGovern, Gary Hart, and John Culver have announced plans to force the Senate to begin debate on the SALT II Treaty "at the earliest possible time." Also backing the ploy are radical Senators Claiborne Pell, Dale Bumpers, Gaylord Nelson, and Paul Sarbanes. They hope that SALT II can be pushed through a "lame duck" special session before incoming Conservative Senators are seated.

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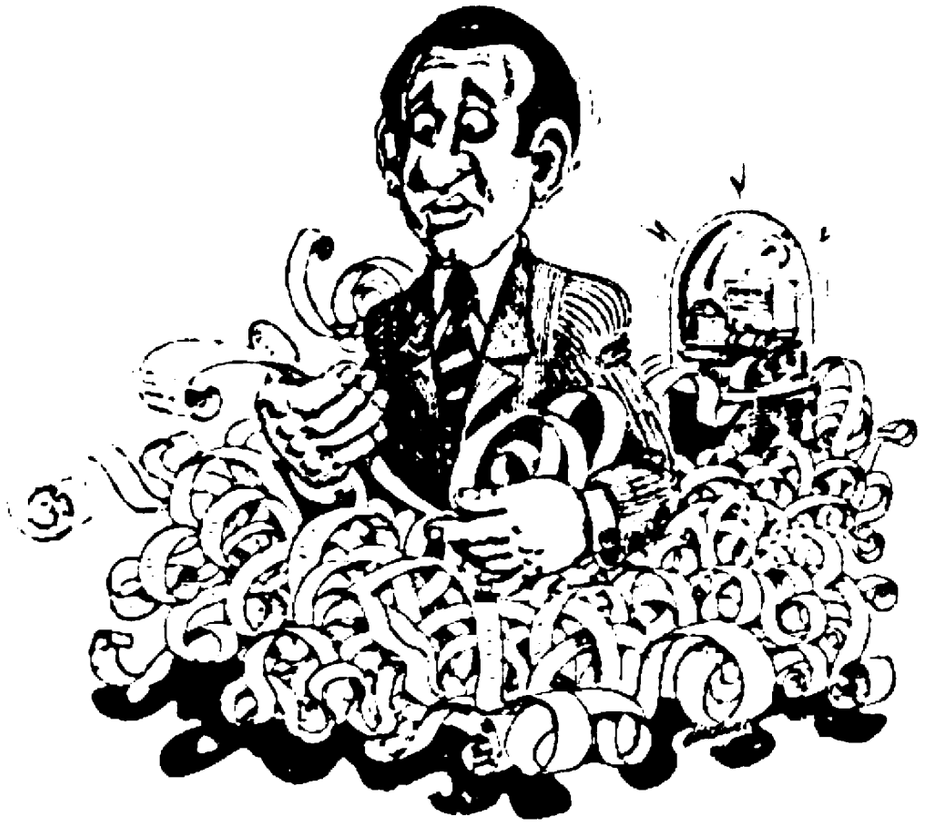
Washington investigators pursuing leads in the assassination of Iranian former diplomat Ali Tabatabai and the apparent flight of murder suspect David Bellfield, a U.S. member of the Ayatollah's Iranian Guerrilla Association, have located a secret weapons training center on a farm in Virginia. Counterterrorist specialists note that the farm, owned by an Iranian associate of Bellfield, is on the flight path of Dulles International Airport.



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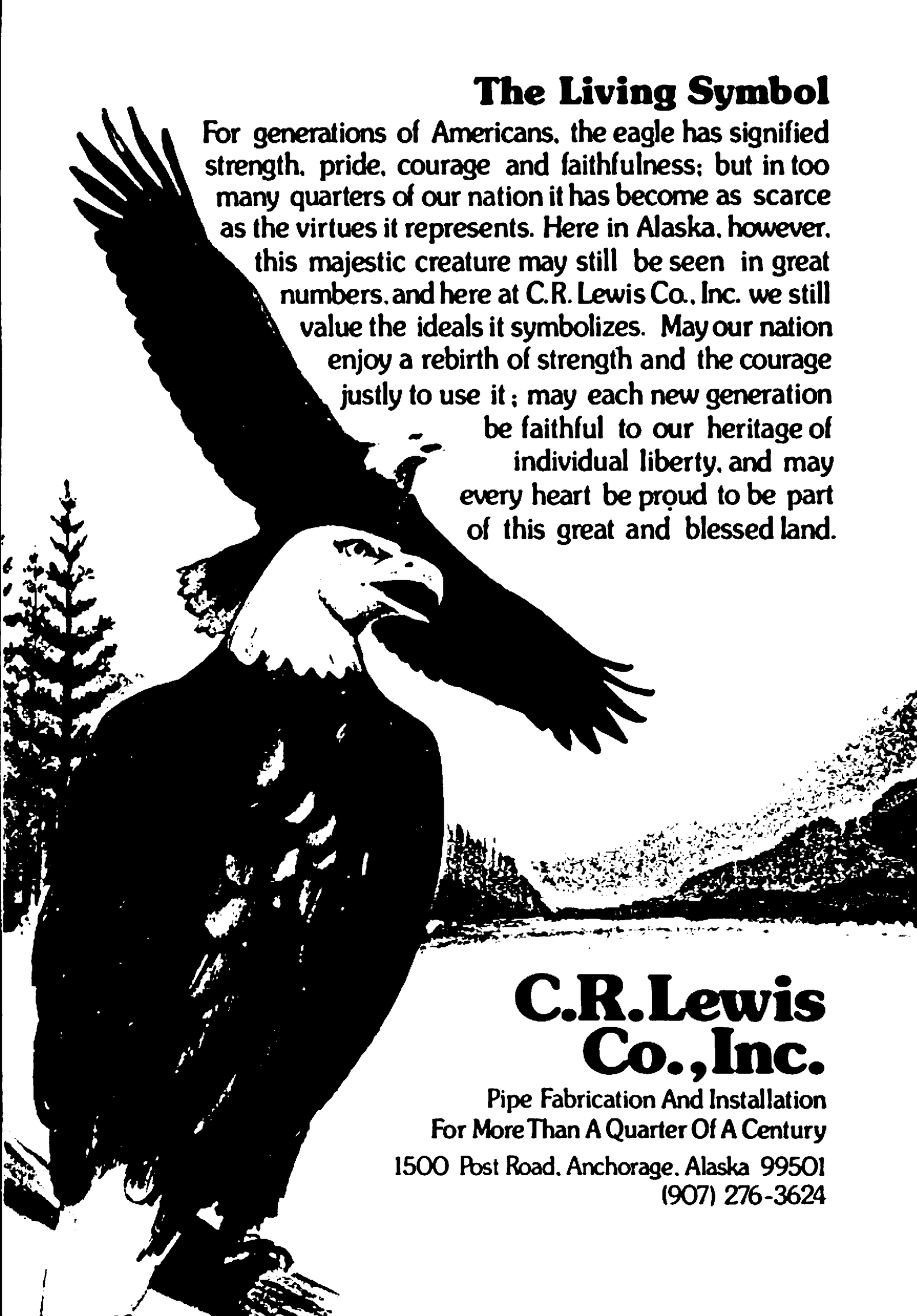

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Billygate: Is The President Involved?

■ *Washington, July 28* — Senators Dennis DeConcini (D.-Ariz.) and Orrin Hatch (R.-Utah), who interviewed fugitive financier Robert Vesco about his alleged contacts with the Carter Administration, announce that Vesco "takes credit for orchestrating the entire matter" of Billy Carter's $220,000 payment from Libya. DeConcini reports Vesco's statement that he recommended the Libyans pay the President's brother in order "to implicate the Administration" in Libyan attempts to obtain the release of eight C-130 jets which have been held up by the State Department. Mr. DeConcini adds that he doesn't trust Vesco, whose indictments on swindling charges forced him to flee to the Bahamas. But Senator Hatch contends that "everything he's told us that I have been able to check out has checked out." Vesco, who has reportedly represented Libyan interests a number of times, told the Senators that he involved the younger Carter in the scheme to get "vengeance on this Administration" for backing out of an alleged deal with White House officials to help Vesco with his legal difficulties in exchange for part of $10 million in bank stocks.

Senator DeConcini says Vesco wanted revenge.

■ *Washington, July 29* — President Carter makes a televised statement announcing he is "eager to respond" to questions from the special Senate subcommittee investigating Billy Carter's ties with Libya. Carter says: "I have no doubt that complete disclosure of the facts will clearly demonstrate that at no time did my brother influence me in my decisions toward Libya or the policies of this Government concerning Libya."

In another development, fugitive financier Robert Vesco, interviewed by two U.S. Senators this week about his ties with Libya, complains that the Senators should not have divulged to the press "what they thought they heard" him say. Vesco contends in a press interview that "I have no knowledge of the Libyans' attempting to implicate Billy Carter or the Administration with any ulterior purpose in mind," and says the Libyans "were not co-conspirators" in a plot to involve the Administration and the President's brother in lobbying for the Arab country's interests. The financier says the full story of Billy Carter's involvement and his acceptance of $220,000 from the Libyan Government would be known when "I decide to tell what it is . . . . I like to hold all the aces."

■ *Washington, July 30* — President Carter discussed with his brother the contents of classified State Depart-

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ment cables concerning Billy's 1978 visit to Libya, the White House announces today. The acknowledgement follows statements by Congressmen that they had seen F.B.I. reports saying Billy told the Justice Department he had seen the cables and that "Jimmy gave them to me." The White House says that "the President's best recollection is that the only State Department cables he has ever discussed with Billy are low classification cables from our Embassy in Libya reporting on Billy Carter's first trip to Libya in September 1978, and indicating that the trip had gone well from the Embassy's point of view." The statement asserts that the President does not remember giving the cables to his brother.

■ *Washington, July 31* — The White House releases seven State Department cables concerning Billy Carter's trip to Libya in September 1978. Press Secretary Jody Powell says the contents of the cables are unimportant and affirms that no security secrets were given away by the President in discussing them with his brother. "The point is that even if the President had given Billy these cables, it wouldn't have amounted to a hill of beans," says Powell. He announces that the cables were declassified 14 months ago and given to journalist Jack Anderson, who wrote at least two columns about the younger Carter's visit to Libya. The cables were exchanges between the State Department and the U.S. Embassy in Tripoli, and generally dealt with public and official reaction to the visit. One message said there was "no negative fallout from the visit . . . . it has brought the Embassy, the American Community, and an important element of the Libyan Government together . . . ." Billy denies charges that he told Justice Department investigator Joel Lisker that the President gave him copies of the cables. "I have . . . copies of nothing," he says.

In a related development, Powell says a State Department official talked with Billy Carter's associate Randy Coleman last year about the Department's refusal to release eight C-130 planes to Libya, following a request by the President's brother for information on the subject. In addition to attempts to gain the release of the planes and an agreement with the Charter Oil Company to obtain it more Libyan oil, sources say Billy's deals with the Libyans included a plan to make money from the sale of American food to Libya.

■ *Washington, August 4* — President Carter submits a 13,000-word report to the Senate concerning the Billy Carter controversy and says the facts will prove that "neither I nor any members of my Administration has violated any law or committed any impropriety." In a news conference tonight, the President declares that his brother has had no influence on United States policies toward Libya. He also denies that the White House tried to influence the Justice Department investigation of Billy and adds that there was no impropriety in his discussion of the in-

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vestigation with Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti, which he claims lasted "less than a minute." Mr. Carter says he has not received any of the $220,000 his brother accepted from Libya and that he will not get any of the money in the future.

The report, submitted to the Senate panel investigating the controversy, reveals that the President was concerned about Billy Carter's ties with the radical Libyan Government and tried to dissuade him from going to Libya for a second visit in 1979, because of Libya's "threats against Sadat and because they are fighting in Uganda for Idi Amin," the former dictator of that country. The report also states that Carter felt justified using Billy to seek Libyan help in gaining the release of the American hostages in Iran as part of an effort to use every possible method of freeing them.

On The Campaign Trail

■ *Washington, July 28* — Sources in both the Carter and Kennedy campaigns say the two camps are attempting to settle their differences before the Democratic Convention opens August 11th. One compromise would reportedly have Kennedy supporters dropping most of their party platform challenges in return for an agreement by Carter to postpone a debate on convention rules until the second day of the convention. Kennedy is gearing up for a major battle over a proposed rule which would bind delegates to the candidate they were chosen to support. Defeat of the rule would free the delegates to vote for any candidate.

■ *New York, July 29* — The anti-abortion Right to Life Party will not campaign for Ronald Reagan because he chose George Bush as his running mate, say the party's leaders in New York. The group feels Reagan's choice of Bush is "totally unacceptable" and says it is "shutting down" its national campaign for the G.O.P. nominee, who had its enthusiastic support before the Republican Convention. But the party's executive director, Peter Gemma, adds that although anti-abortionists were "terribly disappointed" with the choice of Bush, "99 percent of Right-to-Lifers" will probably vote for Reagan with or without the party's endorsement.

■ *Washington, July 30* — The results of a new Harris poll show President Carter with a negative job rating of 77 percent to 22 percent. Eighty-six percent of those polled said the President's "handling of the economy" is unsatisfactory; 89 percent think he is doing a poor job of "keeping inflation under control"; 79 percent feel he has mishandled the hostage situation in Iran; and, 85 percent say Carter is failing to "get things done." In a separate poll in California, G.O.P. nominee

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On Capitol Hill, the President's troubles are being compounded as congressional Democrats move to "open" the National Convention and free the delegates. Carter's campaign chairman Robert Strauss announces the President will not agree to an "open" convention and says releasing the delegates would "bring total disarray on that convention floor" and would "disenfranchise" the primary voters.

■ *Washington, July 30* — G.O.P. Vice Presidential nominee George Bush meets with congressional and Republican leaders here today. Bush tells reporters he will campaign to win a Republican majority in Congress in November. Bush says the past 25 years of Democratic control in Congress have "contributed substantially to our domestic decline, our diminished role abroad and in diminution of American military strength," and that a Republican Congress would make Ronald Reagan's Presidency more effective. The Senate Republican Campaign Committee hopes to pick up three to six seats in the Senate this year, while the G.O.P. needs 59 seats to gain control of the House. Bush says of the President's troubles with Billygate: "I think the [*Republicans'*] idea on the Billy Carter thing . . . was let the system work and don't make any allegations . . . . let the committee do its business . . . ."

■ *Washington, July 31* — Independent Presidential candidate John Anderson, following a 45-minute conference with Senator Edward Kennedy (D.-Mass.) in the Senator's office, tells reporters that if President Carter is not renominated he would reconsider his own candidacy. If the nomination

Kennedy agrees to debate with Anderson.

goes to another candidate, he says, "it would only be prudent for one like myself, who believes very much in the two-party system, to consider what my position then would be." Anderson says, however, that he did not promise Kennedy to withdraw if the Massachusetts Democrat is nominated. Mr. Kennedy states that he told Anderson he "felt there would be less likelihood of the need for his candidacy in the event of my nomination." Kennedy also says he would include Anderson in any Presidential debates with Ronald Reagan, and that he would act to halt the Democratic National Committee's attempts to prevent Anderson's name from appearing on state Presidential ballots.

O'Neill Says Birchers Control G.O.P.

■ *Washington, July 30* — House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill says that although "this is a hard year" for Democrats in Congress, the Republi-

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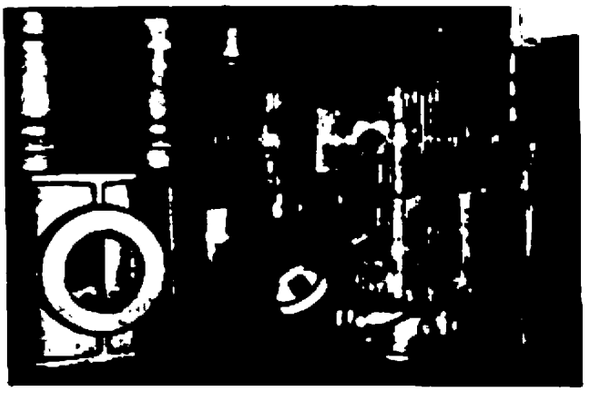

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cans will not become the majority party in November because "the John Birchers are now in control of the Republican Party." Stating that "there are more [*Birchers*] on the Floor today than in any of the years I have been in the House," O'Neill points to Representatives John Rousselot (R.-Cal.) and Robert Bauman (R.-Md.) as examples. The Speaker says John Birch Society members are "those without concern for the other person. . . . extremely greedy . . . with concern only for themselves."

O'Neill claims Birchers control Republican Party.

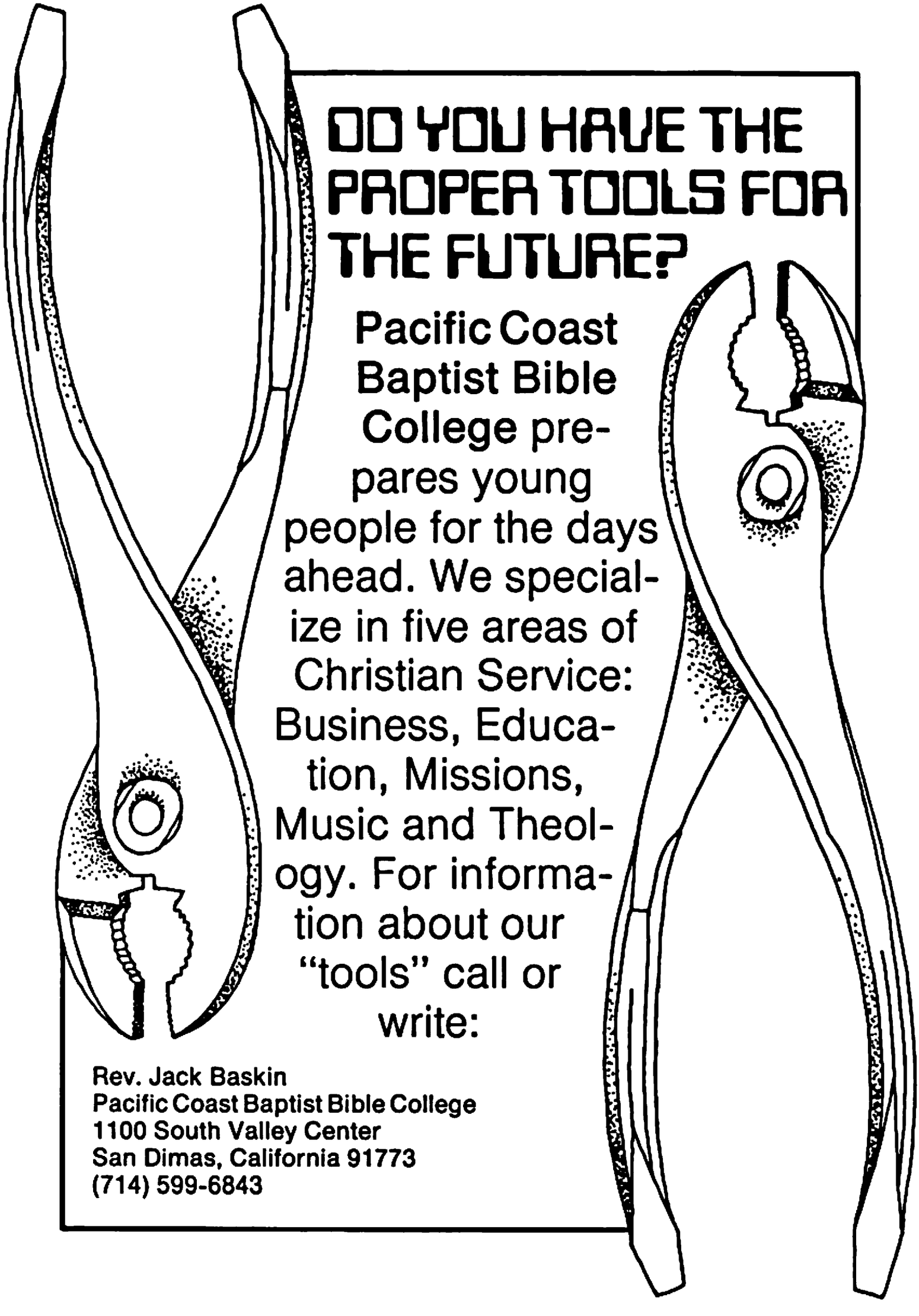
■ *Washington, July 31* — Representative Robert Bauman (R.-Md.) rises on the House floor to respond to remarks made yesterday by House Speaker O'Neill suggesting that Bauman and Representative John Rousselot (R.-Cal.) are members of The John Birch Society who have taken control of the Republican Party. Mr. Bauman says he was "saddened" by O'Neill's charge that "some Members [*are*] extremely greedy and [*have*] no feeling for the poor." Bauman says he does "not fall into that category, nor have I ever been a member of the Society. But I have discussed this with the only Member of the House that I know is a member of the Birch Society, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. McDonald), who . . . has indicated his willingness to discuss with the Speaker what the Birch Society stands for. I would suggest that the Speaker get in touch with [*McDonald*], and perhaps the Speaker could talk with him in the Democratic Caucus. He happens to be a member of the Speaker's party." The House floor and gallery are filled with laughter.

School Prayer Amendment Stalled

■ *Washington, July 30* — The House Judiciary Committee holds its second day of hearings on a controversial bill which would return control over school prayer regulations to the states. Representative Phil Crane (R.-Ill.) testifies that Congress has "every right to tell [*the Supreme Court*] it's none of their business." The High Court banned mandatory school prayer in 1963. An amendment reversing that decision was passed in the Senate but has become hung up in the House Judiciary Committee. Mr. Crane has so far obtained 178 of the required 218 signatures on a discharge petition which would force the bill to the House floor.

Companies Reduce Oil Prices

■ *Washington, July 29* — Gulf Oil Corporation, Standard Oil Company of Indiana, and the Atlantic Richfield Company announce reductions in crude oil prices by about three cents per gallon. The decreases will only affect crude oil which is not controlled by federal price regulations, but may cause a slowdown in the rate of retail price increases, according to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specialists. The cuts are initiated after the price of crude oil on the open market dipped sharply in recent weeks due to a falloff in demand.

Carter Orders Help To Farmers

■ *Washington, July 28* — The Administration announces it will provide an additional one billion dollars in price support loans for grain and soybeans to farmers. The loans, which set a floor under farm prices, allow farmers to borrow money from the government using their crops as collateral. They can then store the crops until later in the year. President Carter says that "the American farmer is suffering from a serious cost-price squeeze. Increases in the cost of fuel, fertilizer and other production items have outpaced increases in farm receipts, causing net farm income for many farmers to fall this year." The increased price supports will probably raise bread prices by .3 cents a loaf and meat prices by up to .5 cents a pound, according to Agriculture Department reports. The President also asks Congress to help drought-stricken farmers by passing a government crop insurance program.

Racial Protests In Orlando

■ *Orlando, July 31* — Groups of black protestors shatter windows and bomb a store in the third consecutive night of racial conflicts here. Hundreds of police officers are called in to deal with the youths, who are armed with rocks and bottles. Protestors burned two businesses to the ground yesterday. Police say they arrested 30 people after disturbances resulted in "three or four injuries." Officials here refuse state and federal assistance and decide against imposing a curfew, saying they think the worst of the protests is over.

Soviet Weapon A Threat To U.S.

■ *Washington, July 28* — U.S. intelligence satellites have determined that the Soviet Union is constructing a particle beam weapon capable of destroying American space satellites and damaging American spacecraft. Reports indicate that "from a variety of sources the United States has discovered a massive Soviet effort to develop and deploy . . . both high energy lasers and charged particle beams." The weapons, which shoot beams of energy to destroy satellites, "are at the center of increased attention by the White House, Defense Department and Congress for application in ballistic missile defense or in defending vulnerable U.S. spacecraft from attack by the Soviet Union," according to the reports. Russia is also allegedly building a space station which could support the weapons in orbit. Officials warn that the United States will not be able to construct space battle stations until the mid-1990s.

U.S. Approves Military Sale To Iraq

■ *Washington, July 31* — Despite congressional objections, the State Department announces it has approved the sale of eight jet engines to the radical Arab Government of Iraq.

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Iraq is one of four countries considered by the U.S. Government to be supportive of terrorism, and the sale was delayed last year when legislators protested. But the State Department says that "the decision [*to approve the sale*] has been carefully reviewed. . . . we concluded that it would not be in our overall foreign policy interest to revoke this export license." The engines will be installed on four warships which are expected to be used to patrol the Persian Gulf.

Congressmen Write To Iran

■ *Washington, July 30* — More than 180 Congressmen signed a letter to the Iranian Parliament asking it to attend to the hostage situation immediately "in the interest of both nations." Teheran radio reports that the letter said: "Aware of the important internal issues facing your government, we ask you fervently to give the highest and earliest priority to the issue of the hostages, as your first step in helping solve much greater, more important and more sensitive dangers, which the nations of the world and the world itself are facing." Speaker of the Parliament Hashemi Rafsanjani responds by saying that "the government of America is not only doing nothing to solve the crisis, but it has always tried to intensify it."

Israel Declares Jerusalem Its Capital

■ *Jerusalem, July 30* — The Israeli Parliament approves a law making Jerusalem the official capital of Israel. Officials say the measure, passed by a vote of 69 to 15 with three abstentions, may cause some difficulty in the suspended autonomy talks between Egypt and Israel. The move is thought to have been partially brought on by a U.N. General Assembly vote yesterday demanding that Israel withdraw from its occupied Arab territories and supporting the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. The United States voted with six other nations against the resolution.

■ *Cairo, August 2* — Amid increasing Arab condemnation of Israel's decision to make all of Jerusalem its national capital, Egypt asks for a postponement on the Palestinian autonomy talks, scheduled to resume in Alexandria tomorrow. Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali announces that President Anwar Sadat wants to delay the talks until Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and President Carter respond to Egypt's messages protesting the move to annex Jerusalem. "We have asked for a delay in the arrival of the advance parties [*for the talks*] until the reaction from Prime Minister Begin and President Carter to Mr. Sadat's message is clear," says Ali. The message will be delivered to Mr. Begin tomorrow by Egypt's Ambassador to Israel. Egypt reportedly feels that the new law "has created a major obstacle" to peace in the Middle East, and contends that the issue should not be excluded from debate at the talks. Egyptian officials emphasize that they seek a postponement, not a suspension, of the talks.

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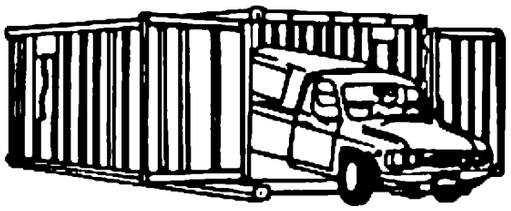

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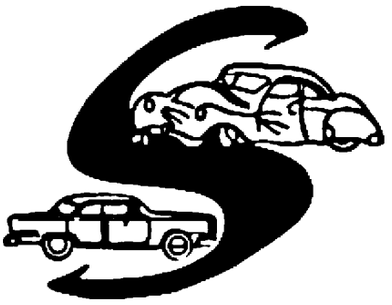

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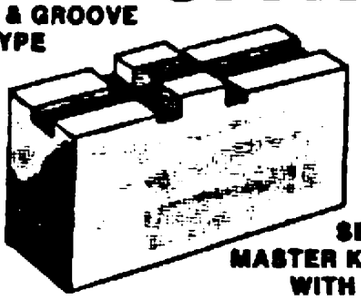

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Qaddafi Threatens Oil Embargo

■ *Paris, July 29* — Radical Libyan dictator Muammar Qaddafi declares Libya's willingness to impose an oil embargo on the United States, saying: "We remain ready to [*initiate an embargo*] and moreover this is a position which will harden with time." Qaddafi says the "continuation of the American challenge against us, the total alignment against the Palestinian people and the total support of the Israelis . . . all this lets us think firmly and seriously of using the oil weapon in the face of our enemies." Qaddafi tells an interviewer that the United States is "the biggest devil of our planet," and calls Israel "the little devil."

Qaddafi calls U.S. "the biggest devil."

Shah's Wife Relates Last Wishes

■ *Cairo, August 1* — The widow of deposed Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi releases a message containing her husband's last wish that the Iranian people overthrow the Khomeini regime and restore imperial government to their country. The statement, which the Shah dictated to his wife, said: "I have never stopped thinking about the black days my people have been going through, particularly the suffering and martyrdom of those known and unknown patriots who exposed their breasts to the firing squads of the executioners. As my heart is about to stop, the hearts of the valiant officers of my army who were trying to save the fatherland are the targets of bullets from the enemies of Iran." The message conveys the Shah's wish that his son Prince Reza be restored to the throne.

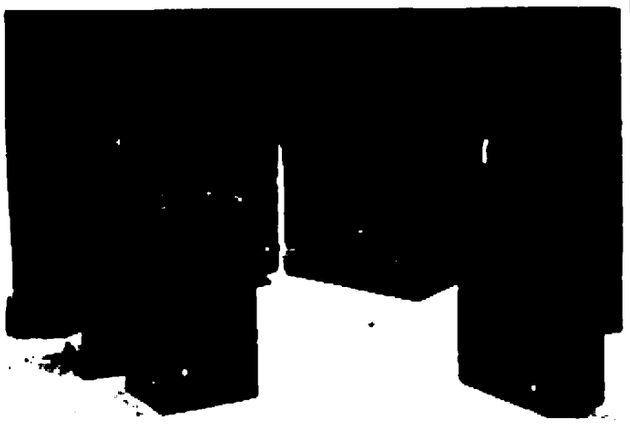
Hostage Debate May Be Delayed

■ *Paris, July 29* — A panel of representatives from conflicting factions in the Iranian government will be set up to choose a Cabinet and Prime Minister, according to sources in Paris. President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr reportedly withdrew his nomination of Mustafa Mir-Salim as Prime Minister after he was advised that Parliament would not approve the choice. The panel was supposed to include members of the fundamentalist Islamic Republican Party, supporters of President Bani-Sadr, and Khomeini supporters, but the Ayatollah says that he will not participate in the selection because the choice is "the concern of the President and the Parliament."

Meanwhile, the speaker of the Iranian Parliament reportedly says that the death of Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi "will bring about a change in the problem of the hostages," but other Iranian officials feel the debate could be delayed for months.

Iran Protests Demonstrators' Arrest

■ *Teheran, August 3* — Responding to official anger, a crowd of Iranians



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protesting the detainment of 193 of their countrymen in the United States stages a demonstration in front of the besieged U.S. Embassy here. The demonstrators burn effigies of President Carter and call for the American hostages to be put on trial. The militants in the Embassy joined in a demonstration yesterday against alleged U.S. mistreatment of the detained Iranians, who were arrested last Sunday after they clashed with police during a pro-Khomeini demonstration. The speaker of Iran's Parliament, Hashemi Rafsanjani, warned last week that the holding of the Iranians "was not something that can be without any effect on the fate" of the American hostages.

In Washington, Iran and the United States are holding talks on the captive protestors. The State Department says there has been contact with Iran "on a continuing basis" through the Algerian Embassy.

Soviet Problems In Afghanistan

■ *New Delhi, July 28* — Diplomatic sources report that the Soviet Union is conducting a massive air offensive in Afghanistan to crush rebels in the Afghan Army. Soldiers of the 14th Armored Division in Ghazni province, possibly as many as 10,000 men, have allegedly "in whole or in part . . . taken up arms against the [*pro-Soviet Karmal*] regime." One diplomat comments that "if these stories are true — and the level of helicopter activity indicates they are — the Soviets are facing their greatest challenge since the invasion." Russia has reportedly been moving MI-8 and MI-24 helicopters, MiG-21 jetfighters, and Ilyushin transports in and out of Kabul for use in Ghazni, and has set up roadblocks on highways leading to the capital to check incoming and outgoing traffic. Conflicts are also reported in Kabul, where rebels allegedly incited a strike on the city's merchants last weekend.

■ *New Delhi, July 30* — The Afghan news agency in Beirut announces the formation of a provisional government in Afghanistan by forces resisting Soviet control of the country. Rebels are reportedly battling Soviet troops in Wardak province, west of Kabul, while inside the capital guerrillas have killed six Soviets. Russia is also placing mines and booby traps on the Afghan-Pakistan border to prevent rebels from getting out.

U.N. Women's Conference Ends

■ *Copenhagen, July 31* — The United Nations Conference on Women closes today with the passage of a 218-point program aimed at ending sexual discrimination. Inclusion of anti-Zionist and pro-Palestinian language in the plan caused four nations, including the United States, to vote against it. Chief U.S. delegate Sarah Weddington explains the American decision, charging that "intemperate and abhorrent attacks against Israel" had led discrimination issues to be "pushed aside and [*become*] a victim of those who chose instead to focus on the political polemics of the Middle East situation." Weddington says, however,

that the conference was valuable in the quest for equal rights for women.

Gas Rationing Approved By Congress

■ *Washington, July 30* — The House and Senate uphold the Administration's gas rationing plan by respective votes of 209–205 and 60–31. The plan gives the President the power to implement nationwide gasoline rationing during a gas shortage of 20 percent or more. Senator Charles Percy (R.-Ill.), an opponent of the plan, said it would

Senator Percy argues against gas rationing.

be "a papier mâché defense against a very real threat," but Republican efforts to defeat the measure failed. Under the plan, gasoline coupons would be given out based on the number of vehicles registered to households and businesses, and allotments to states would be determined by their histories of gas consumption.

Chrysler Gets More Loans

■ *Washington, August 1* — The government's Chrysler Loan Guarantee Board approves $300 million to the ailing Chrysler Corporation today. The government has supported $800 million of aid to the company against an upper limit of $1.5 billion. Treasury Secretary G. William Miller, head of the Board, says there are indications that the auto manufacturer is improving and concludes that "the tone is upward." Chrysler reported a second quarter loss of $536.1 million, the largest ever logged by an American auto manufacturer.

Conferees Agree On Weapons Bill

■ *Washington, August 1* — A record $52.9 billion weapons bill is approved by a House-Senate conference. The bill allocates $375 million for development of a strategic bomber to replace the B-52 and includes $1 billion for military pay increases. It provides for a total of about $7 billion more in funds for the military than the President requested.

Passing Of Distinguished Birchers

■ *Atlanta, July 30* — Conservative leader S.J. Agnew dies of cancer at age 63. His substantial timber, ranching, and plywood interests in Washington, Oregon, and California were headquartered under the name of Agnew Enterprises in his hometown of Centralia, Washington. Mr. Agnew was a member of the National Council of The John Birch Society and of its Executive Committee.

■ *Sevierville, Tenn., July 31* — Conservative leader A.G. Heinsohn, Jr., dies at age 84. A textile industrialist, he was author of *One Man's Fight For Freedom*, *Cousin Mercedes And The White Russian*, editor of *Anthology Of Conservative Writing*, a member of The John Birch Society's National Council and of its Executive Committee. — CYNTHIA WARD

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SPORTSMAN

■ Dr. Ernst Jokl, a neurologist and professor emeritus of physiology at the University of Kentucky, speculates that men's records in track and field are fast approaching their peaks. Women, he believes, have much more room for improvement. An intriguing article in *Smithsonian* magazine discusses this theory as well as advances in the new science of sports that involve researchers in such fields as kinesiology (the science of movement), biomechanics, and computerized exercising devices. The latter, for example, have been coordinated with neurological patterns and helped enable 44-year-old discus thrower Al Oerter to perform better than when he was supposedly in his prime. Predicting the limits of human achievement, however, is a risky business. Consider that in 1934 a future Berkeley track coach detailed what he called the "absolute ultimate" records that could possibly be achieved in track and field. Each of those reputedly unsurpassable marks has since been broken.

■ In the world of prizefighting, NBC brought back the televised Gillette Friday Night Fights last week in Las Vegas, with former welterweight champion Wilfred Benitez moving into the junior middleweight ranks and defeating Tony Chiaverini on a technical knockout when the latter failed to answer the bell for the ninth round. . . . Standing at least 6' 1", Thomas Hearns has the reach of a heavyweight and that sure helps in the 147-pound welterweight division. Hearns, nicknamed the "Hit Man," showed his undefeated stuff in his hometown of Detroit by finishing Pipino Cuevas of Mexico with a second round T.K.O. and taking away his World Boxing Association title belt . . . . The W.B.A. junior welterweight championship also changed hands in another new champ's hometown when Cincinnati's Aaron Pryor decked Antonio Cervantes in the fourth; the former champ will now retire.

■ Professional football and baseball each added four new members to their respective Halls of Fame. In Canton, Ohio, inductees in the N.F.L. shrine were ironman center Jim Otto of the Oakland Raiders; "Secretary of Defense" Deacon Jones, late of the Los Angeles Rams; former Green Bay

Kaline (l) and Snider inducted into Hall of Fame.

Packer cornerback Herb Adderley; and, Dallas Cowboy great Bob Lilly, the veteran defensive tackle. And in Cooperstown, New York, posthumous inductions to baseball's Hall of Fame were bestowed on slugging outfielder Chuck Klein and longtime owner of the Boston Red Sox, Tom Yawkey. Klein and Yawkey were elected by a

special Veterans' Committee. A power-hitter with the Philadelphia Phillies, Chicago Cubs, and Pittsburgh Pirates between 1928 and 1944, Klein led the National League in homers four times; was M.V.P. in 1932; and, winner of the Triple Crown in 1933. Yawkey was a much beloved and generous owner and president in Boston from 1933 to 1976. Present at the ceremonies were the other new Cooperstown honorees, Duke Snider, formerly of the Brooklyn and Los Angeles Dodgers, and the Detroit Tigers' classic batsman Al Kaline. Snider, who had been passed over in the voting for 10 years, hit 407 career home runs, including 40 or more for five years in a row, and set a National League record with 11 World Series roundtrippers. Kaline, who was the youngest batting champion in American League history at age 20, was chosen in his first year of eligibility. A member of the elite 3,000 hit club, he pounded 399 home runs and had a career batting average of .297.

■ The conclusion of the **Moscow Olympics** saw the host Soviets cart away 197 medals, 80 of them gold. Top medalist was gymnast Aleksandr Dityatin of the U.S.S.R. with three gold, four silver, and a bronze. Three dozen world records were set despite the absence of many of the world's top athletes. Top performances included another heavyweight boxing gold (his third in a row) to Teofilo Stevenson of Cuba; a double gold in the 5,000- and 10,000-meter races for Ethiopia's ageless Miruts Yifter; a new world record in the pole vault of 18' 11½" (made to the derision of the Soviet crowd) by Poland's Wladyslaw Kozakiewicz; and, England's Sebastian Coe's revenge in the 1,500-meter race over countryman Steve Ovett who had beaten him in the 800. Throughout the competition Soviet officials were charged with cheating in favor of their athletes.

■ **Quick Kicks.** The career of Houston Astros All-Star pitcher **J.R. Richard** is in doubt, and his life was almost lost, as emergency surgery was required to remove a blood clot from his neck . . . . Congressman and do-gooder Ron Mottl (D.-Ohio) hopes for passage of his **Sports Violence Act** which would make it a federal crime — punishable by a $5,000 fine and/or a year in prison — for professional athletes to play too roughly . . . . Los Angeles Rams center **Richard Saul**, age 32, is worried about his age and violence as well. He wants to renegotiate his football contract so he only has to play two quarters in each game and thus avoid fatigue and injuries . . . . The **Seattle Mariners** have replaced manager Darrell Johnson with Maury Wills, the former L.A. shortstop . . . . November 15th will be a **new paid holiday** in the contract of the Allied Industrial Workers Union in Michigan. That is, of course, the first day of the deer hunting season.

□ "The W.B.L. is great," says **Linnell "Magic" Jones** of the St. Louis Streak in the professional Women's Basketball League. "It gives women like me who don't want to work something to do." — W.P.H. ■ ■

THE FILMS

A Big Splash

■ July 30th was a night to remember in Boston as the floodgates opened on the world premiere of **Raise The Titanic!** The city's Sack Theatre chain hosted the event, going all out to rig the decks of one of its huge cinema complexes for a titanic extravaganza. Klieg lights, marching bands, tuxedoed movie stars and politicians, and ushers dressed in old-fashioned sailor suits saluted the ceremonious launching of the most ambitious film production yet undertaken by Lord Lew Grade, the British entrepreneur. In fact it would have been perfect sailing for this gala sendoff except for a squall from a chanting contingent of the "Disabled People's Liberation Front" protesting the absence of wheelchair ramps in the theater.

There was a short reception in the theater lobby with enough champagne to float the *Titanic*. A. Alan Friedberg, the president of Sack Theatres as well as of the National Association of Theatre Owners, christened the venture with a speech and introductions of the film's stars and other notables in the audience. Lord Lew was invited on stage to launch his vessel as a tremulous baritone sang "God Save The Queen." Mercifully the film's star, Jason Robards, apparently fearful that the audience might heave to as the laudations continued, cast off with the most appropriate remark of the evening. "If I don't cut this short," he said, "it's going to take another 68 years to raise the *Titanic*."

Earlier in the day we had interviewed several members of the crew. Director Jerry Jameson artfully dodged probes about his having been called upon as an afterthought to replace Stanley Kramer, who deserted the ship at the start of production. Kramer has had more experience directing movies, but it was Jameson, nurtured by a directorial upbringing in television, who managed to raise a sunken 747 in *Airport '77*, obviously qualifying him for this one.

Jason Robards seeks to raise the Titanic.

Also present were actor David Selby, who portrays a scientist commissioned to assist the U.S. Government in giving the ancient wreck a lift; Clive Cussler, author of the best-selling novel upon which the movie is based; and, screenwriter Adam Kennedy, who accepted the agonizing assignment of translating Cussler's book into the movie script. We inquired if the excitement generated by the novel and the forthcoming film adaptation has stirred interest in actually raising the *Titanic*. Cussler, a marine archeology enthusiast recently involved in an unsuccessful attempt to raise the

Bon Homme Richard, indicated that despite great interest the cost of such an operation would be prohibitive. "Besides," inserted David Selby, "somebody would probably turn it into a restaurant."

We couldn't help but wonder if the cost of an actual raising of the sunken liner might not amount to less than the $35 million it took to produce the movie. Indeed, the 55-foot model constructed for the film cost more to build than did the original *Titanic* when it was completed in 1911.

The technical achievements in *Raise The Titanic!* greatly surpass the quality of what is only a perfunctory drama. As Robards admitted, "The real star of the picture is the *Titanic.*" While the director succeeds in rattling Davy Jones's locker during the few minutes of screen time it takes for the *Titanic* to emerge from its two-and-one-half-mile grave, Jameson's skill in resurrecting objects relegated to the deep does not serve him when the script drifts into the shallows. On the surface, *Raise The Titanic!* is out of its depth and the problem is keeping the film afloat for the rest of its two-hour running time.

Part of the problem is coming up with a credible excuse for raising the ship in the first place. The author opted for a subplot involving a discovery by American agents that the hold of the *Titanic* contained a cargo of rare radioactive material urgently needed to fuel an elaborate defense scheme. Of course the Soviets want it, too, so the quest for the great ship quickly dives into the cold borscht of seagoing cloak-and-dagger. What might have floated in print is over its head on film and we left the theater unable to fathom how anyone thought they could get by with turning a story about raising an ocean liner that sank in 1912 into a statement against nuclear proliferation.

The performances by the human members of the cast are insufficient to salvage interest. Jason Robards is little more than an interested bystander as a retired admiral, heading an obscure marine research foundation, who is put in charge of the operation. Richard Jordan, as a sea-wise special agent, services the few scenes requiring physical exertion, which mostly involve strained relations with the project's scientist, David Selby. It doesn't help that they are both in love with the same woman, a newspaper reporter fleetingly portrayed by Anne Archer, whose presence here adds nothing to the film except, we suppose, to dissuade E.R.A. proponents from joining with the handicapped on the picket line outside the theater.

John Barry's heavy musical score provides a characteristically impressive if somnolent accompaniment to the slow-motion activity of the miniature vessels laboring around the great ship, turning the raising of the *Titanic* into an underwater ballet of mechanical toys that threatens to put the audience asleep in the deep.

Profane utterances account for the PG rating hoisted over this Associated Film release. — W.B.G. ■ ■

MEDICINE

Synthetic Human Insulin

■ The Eli Lilly Company recently announced that it has committed $40 million to building plants which will use recombinant DNA technology to produce human insulin from bacteria. A Lilly spokesman said that while the plants should be completed by 1982, practical production considerations and changing government regulations make production predictions difficult.

Insulin is vital to the body's use of sugar and other carbohydrates, and more than a million diabetics in the United States rely on daily injections of it. These people may lead longer, safer lives when the new "human insulin" is available, said Lilly's Dr. Irving Johnson, noting that allergic reactions are less likely with the forthcoming product since it will be chemically identical to insulin produced in the human body.

The new insulin could in theory be produced in unlimited amounts. Instead of depending exclusively on insulin from the pancreases of slaughtered cattle and swine, billions of germs — specifically a strain of the escherichia coli bacteria — will be used in what could be the first practical application of techniques in which the genetic structure of an organism is chemically recombined to produce generations of germs that, in turn, produce a product humans desire.

Malpractice Insurance

■ Last month saw doctors in New York facing huge premium increases in their malpractice insurance brought on by the increasing number of claims and size of awards. In 1978 it cost medical insurers $48 million to close malpractice cases; in 1979, the price tag was $65 million, a 35 percent increase. As a consequence, family and general practitioners in New York City will find their premiums up 36 percent to about $3,300; premiums for internists in the city will be about $4,200, up 30 percent. In the high-risk field of surgery, premiums will reach $28,653.

How are physicians in the Empire State responding to this shocking increase in premiums? According to Dr. Leroy Schwartz, a pediatrician in New York, doctors are planning to raise their fees and some "are thinking of leaving the state." There is also the possibility, said Schwartz, that physicians "may start not accepting difficult cases . . . ."

The Ovulation Method

■ Mrs. Mercedes Arzu Wilson, president of WOOMB, U.S.A., is promoting a natural family planning procedure known as the ovulation method which can be 98.5 percent effective and is simple enough to be taught in the illiterate Third World. Mrs. Wilson, who has used the ovulation method herself for 11 years, maintains it is harmless, reliable, and morally acceptable to religious persons.

The ovulation method is based on the fact that at a certain phase of the

menstrual cycle the cervical glands secret a mucous that changes dramatically during the hours surrounding ovulation — a highly fertile time. By observing and interpreting changes in this secretion a woman can accurately identify the critical phase of ovulation.

Mrs. Wilson complains that she has had little success in promoting the method to the World Planned Parenthood Federation or the U.S. Agency for International Development (A.I.D.). "It is disgusting," she said, "the way both the A.I.D. and the Federation are using outdated birth control pills, dumping them on third world countries."

Generic Substitution

■ For 10 years Americans have been sold the idea that use of generic rather than brand-name drugs is a way to hold down the cost of health care. But, according to *Private Practice* for June 1980, generic substitution is no panacea.

Examining the economic arguments, Dr. Michael Weintraub points out that "writing prescriptions generically or with substitution mandated does not guarantee savings for the patient." A study conducted in New York revealed a tremendous variation in prices within the same drugstore. "Pharmacies which charged the least for one drug charged among the highest prices for another medication. . . . patients must know the cost to them of prescriptions for each drug written in a variety of formats in several different pharmacies . . . . without comparison shopping, generic savings become a hit-or-miss proposition."

Also, drugstores often charge a higher percentage markup on less expensive products. As Patricia Coyne notes, "there is some evidence that druggists simply do not pass on to their customers any savings on cheap generics, even though in many states the law requires them to do so . . . . The *Miami Herald*, published in a state . . . that requires druggists to pass on savings, conducted an informal study of Miami drugstores. Of the four most widely prescribed drugs, it was found that pharmacies in the area marked up generic drugs by an average of 220 percent, while the mark-up on brand-name drugs was only 39 percent."

The consumer advocates hawking substitution also make the false assumption that generic drugs are equivalent to those with brand names. Many generics are manufactured in foreign countries, says Dr. Francis Davis, and no one "knows for sure what the ingredients are. None of them has been the object of any controlled chemical or clinical tests. This is also true of the look-alike generic drugs that are being made in this country." And there are cases when a slight generic variation can lead to serious complications. "We have found cases where substitution has severely injured the patient," reports Dr. Davis. "The results include: . . . cardiac failure, hypertensive reactions, attempted suicides, antibiotic failure and reactions that have caused hospitalization of patients." — L.C. ■ ■

EDUCATION

Dellums Gets A Lesson

■ District of Columbia School Superintendent Vincent E. Reed placed a dunce cap squarely atop the head of California Democratic Congressman Ronald V. Dellums at a recent Capitol Hill Hearing. Congressman Dellums had tried to lecture the Superintendent on how to run a school system and airily announced that students can only learn when they are not being watched over by police officers. Dellums declared that "many people" think good education is impossible when guards patrol school corridors.

"I don't have time for that kind of rhetoric!" responded Reed, who told Dellums that "our schools are at the mercy of the thugs and hoodlums of this city . . . . kids and teachers are being shot and mauled!"

Dellums should have done his homework. The *Washington Post* has reported that during the last school year there were over two dozen shootings and more than 1,000 robberies, assaults, and thefts in the Washington school system.

Reed has been superintendent since 1975, the ninth to be appointed in 12 years, and is not one to be intimidated by political demagogues. Angry at school violence, he observed at the Hearing that a day or so before his testimony a masked gunman had burst into a summer school after the end of classes and robbed the school nurse. He insisted that the best thing the federal government could provide the 99 percent non-white D.C. school system is money for increased security. "We don't have anybody trained to deal with anybody who comes in with a weapon," pleaded Superintendent Reed.

Congressman Dellums might have spoken with his wife or children before lecturing Reed. The *Post* also reported that four years earlier Dellums' wife had told an interviewer that one of her sons in junior high was so afraid of his classmates that he did not dare use the toilet during the school day.

Broken Homes

■ Forty percent of children in elementary schools who come from one-parent homes fall into the category of low achievers, according to a study co-sponsored by the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the Charles F. Kettering Foundation.

The study, "The Most Significant Minority: One Parent Children In The Schools," also says that 34 percent of high-school students from broken homes fall into the same low category.

Children from broken homes are also likely to be behavior problems. The study says that at the high-school level nearly twice as many children from one-parent homes are suspended as are children from homes where there is both a father and a mother. Youngsters are also most likely to be tardy, truant, or disruptive when they

are from one-parent homes, and the Principals' report reveals that they have a higher rate of drug involvement and alcohol problems.

The U.S. Census Bureau says that 19 percent of all children under age 18 come from homes where one parent, usually the father, is missing. A full 50 percent of all black children are now being raised by one parent.

No Spikka English

■ Emmy Shafer, who came from Europe and speaks seven languages, is busy collecting signatures on a petition in Dade County, Florida, demanding that the Dade County schools cancel all bilingual classes and concentrate on English. Miss Shafer believes that encouraging the use of Spanish delays or makes impossible the entry of Hispanics into the mainstream of American life. She has collected 7,000 signatures as we go to press.

Hufstedler Stirs Things

■ Now it is the State of Texas upon whom the grim eye of Educational Czarina Shirley M. Hufstedler has fallen. Mrs. Hufstedler and her educational hetmen will shortly notify the Lone Star State that it must "desegregate" its higher educational system. If Texas does not obey Mrs. Hufstedler's ukase, federal aid to higher educational facilities in Texas will be cut off, depriving Texans of much of the tax money they send to Washington so bureaucrats like Mrs. Hufstedler can dole it back to them with arrogant orders for its appropriate expenditure.

The government complains that most Texas senior colleges and universities are either largely white or black. Texas authorities have pointed out that their state has a "color blind" admissions program at all institutes of higher learning and the racial composition at the various schools is the result of student choice rather than government policy. Mrs. Hufstedler's own people have found that so-called black and white schools have identical programs and get about the same amount of money each year in proportion to their size. To a bureaucrat, however, well enough should never be left alone. Hufstedler will get her way unless the voters send her packing with Jimmy Carter in November.

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■ The Reserve Officers Training Corps will return in September to the campus of Boston University after a 10-year absence. The R.O.T.C. was virtually driven from the campus during the vicious anti-military campaigns of the late 1960s. "Boston University is honored by the return of these programs," said Dr. John R. Silber, president of Boston University. "We are of course concerned to aid in the national defense by helping to provide for an educated officer corps."

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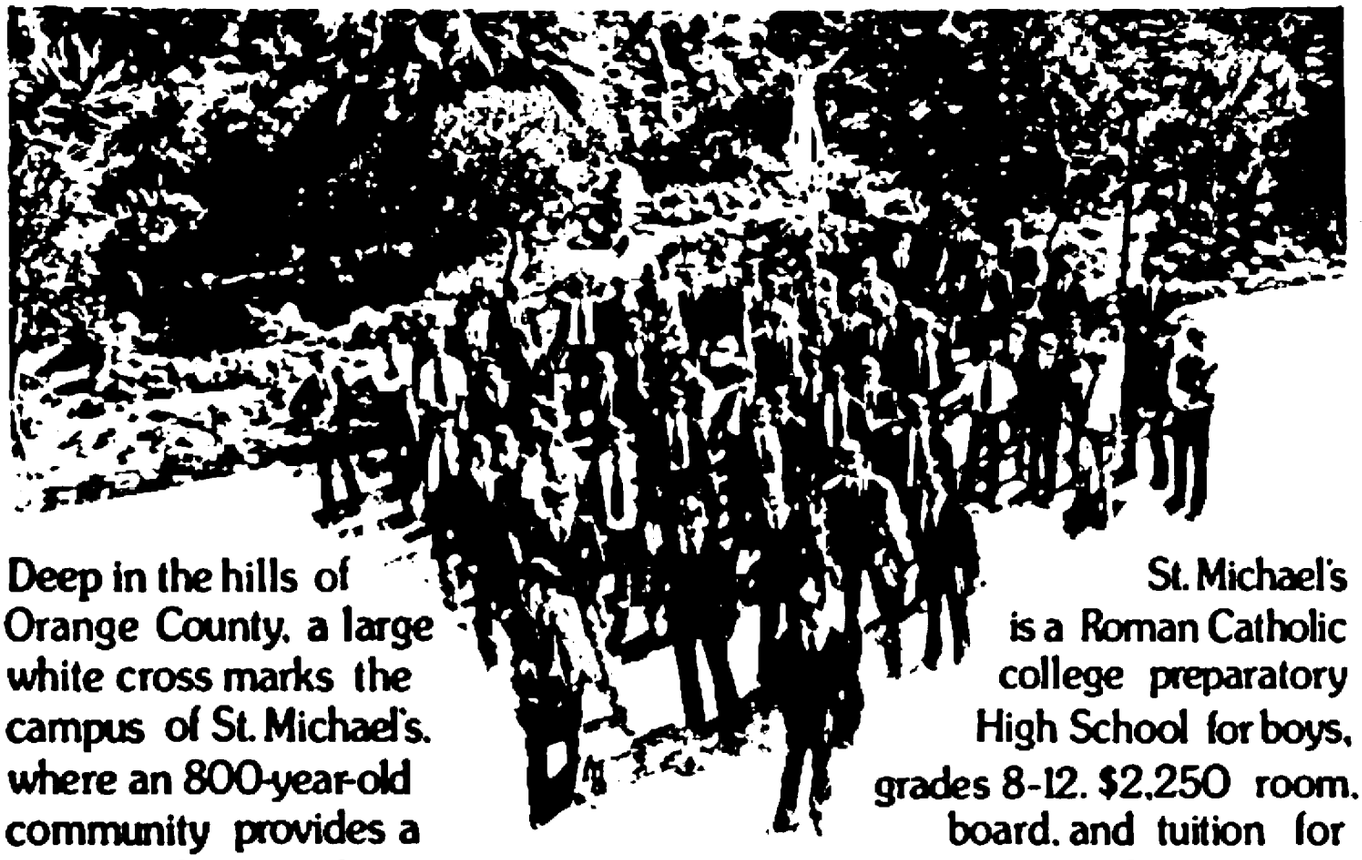

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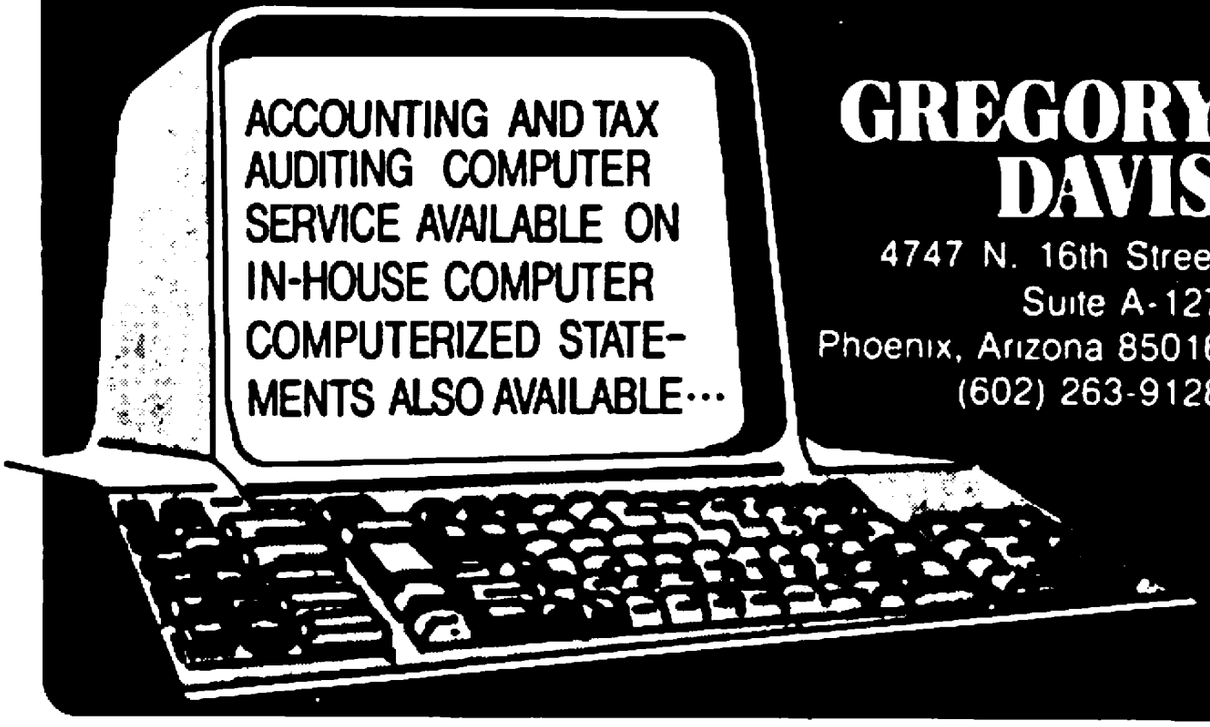

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CORRECTION, PLEASE!

ITEM: From an editorial in the Ft. Wayne *Journal-Gazette* for July 15, 1980:

> *For years, environmentalists have been struggling to get an effective Alaskan lands conservation bill through Congress . . . . That bill passed the House but failed to get through the Senate in 1979. Worse, the bill reported out of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources last November bore little resemblance to the House-passed lands conservation package.*
>
> *Accordingly, Senators Paul Tsongas and William Roth have drafted a substitute bill much like the strong measure passed by the House. Before environmentally-minded senators go to battle for that bill, however, they may attempt to pass a package of five amendments also drafted by Mr. Tsongas, which would essentially accomplish the same thing.*

CORRECTION: If the *Journal-Gazette* had followed the debate on this bill in the Senate over July 21st through 23rd it would have learned that the "environmentally-minded" Senators used very questionable tactics in an effort to slide the five Tsongas amendments through that chamber. They brought up a 45-page amendment with many unannounced but significant changes; they changed the definition of words, such as *conserve*; and, they used phony maps. One exchange between Senator Paul Tsongas (D.-Massachusetts) and Ted Stevens (R.-Alaska) demonstrates the nature of the game:

"Mr. TSONGAS. We are dealing with the Porcupine National Forest. Anyone who wants to take the time may come up and look at the map. Is the Porcupine National Forest in the dark proven hydrocarbon reserves? No . . . .

"Mr. STEVENS. Let me say to my friend from Massachusetts that I would hope he had been to our State and knew . . . what he was talking about. For instance, page 208 of the committee report is talking about the porcupine country, the national forest system we are talking about: *The Yukon and Kandik Basins are potential oil and gas reserves of national significance with speculative recoverable oil estimated at 1.7 billion barrels. Almost two million acres 'highly favorable' for minerals occur. Uranium potential occurs on 1.2 million acres.*

"I do not know why we should downgrade areas of Alaska and use maps prepared by the Department of Interior now. They are not based upon the Bureau of Mines survey of the State of Alaska. These are policy level maps prepared to prove the Senator's point. They are not factual maps about the mineral content of my State . . . .

"Mr. TSONGAS. Is the Senator suggesting that the Administration is misleading and fraudulently representing maps of the U.S. Geological Survey?

"Mr. STEVENS. It has been found to be so by the GAO [*General Accounting Office*], and I will be glad to get into that if the senator wishes to do it." Whereupon the junior Senator from Massachusetts decided not to pursue the subject and everyone in the Senate chamber got the ugly message.

If the Tsongas-Roth bill is accepted, a tract of some 1.3 million acres located within the Arctic Wildlife range would also be among the lands closed to development. This area, located only 75 miles east of the big Prudhoe Bay oil field, is considered to have the highest new potential for oil and gas discoveries in the United States. It is estimated that the Arctic Range may contain as much as 35 billion barrels of oil, a figure that would more than double the total of proven U.S. reserves. Yet Tsongas and the Carter environmentalists are out to put it in the deep freeze.

The proposal would also prevent productive, environmentally sound tree harvesting. Syndicated columnist Jenkin Lloyd Jones has written that tree harvesting is 400 years old in Germany, where forests are as a result more productive than ever. He then observed: "The St. Regis Co. is a timber and paper outfit and, naturally not disinterested. But St. Regis claims that 26 million acres once designated for commercial forests that are now being considered for inclusion in the wilderness will cost the nation three billion board feet of lumber a year, enough to build 250,000 homes."

Further, *Nation's Business* magazine for June 1979 emphasized that America's governmentally frozen wilderness lands — especially the unexplored or little-explored lands in the West and in Alaska — could supply huge quantities of vital resources, many of which are now imported. The problem with the wilderness designation system is that it precludes exploration for these resources. Wilderness is important, but extracting mineral wealth may be more important. Without exploration, how can the decision makers know? Alaska is known to be rich in such vitally needed minerals as lead, zinc, copper, nickel, cobalt, silver, and gold — plus enough coal to last our entire nation for 2,000 years! Why are the Establishment "Liberals" working so hard to stop its development?

Senator Stevens fought fiercely against the Tsongas strategy, which was orchestrated by the White House, and got the Land Grab bill pulled from the floor until the Senate returns from a two-week recess in August. That gives concerned Americans an opportunity to let their Senators know that the needs of America's *people* should be given consideration over the fantasies of a few butterfly chasers and caribou watchers. Our economy, and that of Alaska, will suffer seriously unless the Alaska Land Grab is stopped. Where do your Senators stand? — W.E.D. ■ ■

Reagan Advisor RICHARD WHALEN

An Exclusive Interview With The Distinguished Conservative Author And Analyst

by John Rees

■ RICHARD J. WHALEN is an advisor to the Presidential campaign of Governor Ronald Reagan. The chairman and editorial director of Worldwide Information Resources (W.I.R.E.S.), Ltd., of Washington, D.C., Mr. Whalen began his career as a reporter and later an associate editor of the *Richmond News Leader*. Thereafter he was a contributing editor to *Time*, an editorial writer on the *Wall Street Journal*, and for six years Mr. Whalen was a member of the board of editors of *Fortune*, of which he was a senior editor. An award-winning author, Mr. Whalen's books include *The Founding Father*, a best-selling biography of Joseph P. Kennedy, and in early 1972, prior to the Watergate debacle, a study of the Nixon Presidency, *Catch The*

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Falling Flag: A Republican's Challenge To His Party, which predicted the subsequent upheaval in the White House. Mr. Whalen was also editor of the *Report Of The President's Commission On An All-Volunteer Armed Force* and of the *Report Of The President's Commission On Financial Structure And Regulation.*

Q. What measures would most likely be taken to stimulate the economy under a Reagan Administration?

A. The biggest change would be that for the first time in a generation we would be emphasizing production and supply rather than demand and consumption. The Reagan program for the economy, domestic and foreign, is an integrated package of reduced government spending, control of the growth of the money supply and of the credit base of the economy, and new incentives to sectors of our economy that have not been trade-oriented to begin exporting.

Q. What would be the principal thrust?

A. I think the major thrust of the Reagan program would be gradually to reduce the federal government's share of the Gross National Product. Currently it is 22.5 percent of G.N.P., and with the Carter Administration's tax package it is soon to rise to 24 percent. The Reagan priority would be to see it reduced to something like 19 to 19.5 percent of an expanding G.N.P., such as prevailed in the early 1960s before the "Great Society" spending programs rolled over us.

Q. How quickly could this be implemented?

A. In effect we've had two decades of misgovernment, and I don't believe we should be utopian or impatient in judging just how long it will take to turn that around. It is essential that Conservatives keep their eyes on the main goal, which is to achieve this crucial turn-around over a four-year period.

Q. How long before we would see a downturn in the inflation rate?

A. I'm afraid we can't be too optimistic on that score because, as you know, there is a substantial lag in the period between the point at which monetary policy is brought under control, and the time when its effects become visible in the economy.

What I think we'll see is a built-in inflation rate of 9 to 10 percent early in the Reagan Administration. Against that we will have the very powerful shift in expectations among consumers and businessmen working in a positive way and anticipating a declining rate of inflation, lower prices, and expanding opportunities to make profitable investments.

Q. Are the labor unions likely to give Mr. Reagan some kind of honeymoon for the early months of his Administration or will they will make irresponsible demands?

A. I believe that, as President, Reagan would have the opportunity to duplicate in the United States some of what Mrs. Thatcher has achieved in the United Kingdom. Many union members and their families recognize

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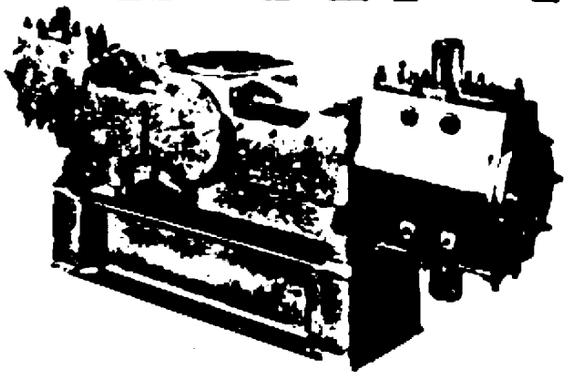

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how economic mismanagement has hurt them, and are attracted to Governor Reagan and his program. Many union leaders are aware that their membership is drifting — or even running away from them. I think that as the Governor gains broad support among blue-collar and white-collar workers in America, the leaders of organized labor will be reluctant to attack a man who is more popular with their members than they are.

Besides, I for one do not believe we are required to oppose everything a labor union stands for. Many of those who are active in Governor Reagan's campaign and some members of his staff come from working-class family backgrounds. We know from personal experiences many of the anxieties and concerns shared by union members at a time of high inflation and high unemployment. The Governor himself knows this. If he is elected, he will be the first President who ever led a union, the Screen Actors Guild.

So I think we Conservatives have a bridge of empathy and shared experience we can cross over, just as Congressman Jack Kemp is doing. We should not write off a whole segment of American society simply because of past antagonisms with some of its leaders.

Q. Mr. Whalen, a considerable loss of trading opportunities, and thus jobs and capital, has resulted from President Carter's use of human rights as a stick with which to harass our friends all over the world. What would Reagan policies be in this area?

A. This is one of the essential points for Conservatives to understand; namely that as a result of a Reagan victory we will be able to throw out the McGovernites who have been the foreign-policy architects of the Carter Administration. One of the most injurious things they have done is to introduce the notion of "human rights" as a club with which to assail our friends and allies while we close our eyes to violations of human rights by the Soviet Union.

The Reagan Administration would pull back from this extremely unrealistic position and take a measured look at who our friends in the world really are, what our interests really are, and what consistent stance we should take to serve both our friends and allies and our long-term strategic interests.

Q. Developing that a little, what position would you expect to see taken by the Reagan Administration toward the Republic of China on Taiwan and Japan?

A. The Governor feels deeply that the Carter Administration went much further than necessary in appeasing Mainland China and that we ought not to have treated our friends on Taiwan as shabbily as we did. He has expressed the desire to see restoration of some form of official relationship with Taipei. I think that within that context we can provide needed assurances of Taiwan's security and long-term stability that will then further assist their development.

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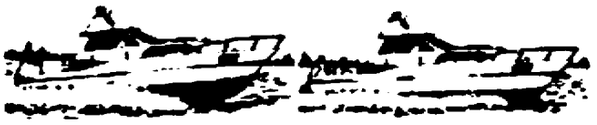

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Q. Turning to Japan, Mr. Whalen, do you think the various trade problems that have resulted from President Carter's political need to placate the United Auto Workers and the American color television industry, for example, would be altered or eased under Mr. Reagan?

A. There are two things working here. Everybody is familiar with the notion of "Japan, Inc.," of a state-directed capitalist system which takes a very long view of the development of markets and of products and is satisfied with a modest short-term rate of return. We find it difficult to compete with such a system because so much of our financial emphasis is short term — what will happen to a company's profits in this quarter or next quarter. Also we do not make the effort that "Japan, Inc." makes to develop long-term markets and specially designed products to serve those markets.

You can't fault the Japanese for their long-range strategic perspective or for the way they do business. We should fault ourselves for failing to be competitive in product development, market development, and overall management of our nation's economic affairs.

Q. And what's the second factor?

A. The second factor is that we have no long-term strategy for encouraging and developing within the United States the new high technology, high growth industries of the future.

Automobile technology is relatively an antique on the world market and the Japanese recognize this. They know that their high noon of auto-export success is passing, and that the future in auto manufacture probably will belong to the advanced developing countries like Brazil, Mexico, and others which have large populations, enormous low-cost labor pools, and where the comparative advantage in future world trade would be theirs.

The Japanese are already preparing to engage us in competition in the 1980s for the future markets in numerically controlled machinery, for all kinds of applications beyond the present state of the art in semi-conductors, and for industrial robots which they already use on an enormous scale. Meanwhile the U.S. is still haggling with them over a relatively obsolete technology and their proper share of our domestic auto market. Sadly, we have no long-term vision in Washington now, but a Reagan Administration will have a vision of what must happen in the 1980s and 1990s to maintain a prosperous U.S. economic base on which to exercise our peaceful influence across the world.

Without this prosperous economic base, the United States will be militarily impotent and strategically isolated.

Q. Increasingly during the Carter years countries such as Brazil,

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A. No, they are not lost for good. I think a Reagan Administration's Secretary of "International Trade and Industry," heading a reorganized international economic agency, would have the credibility to tell these countries: "Look, we are part of the same hemisphere. We belong to a part of the world that is geographically and in every other way tied together. We need you in all seasons, good and bad. We don't need to give you any moral lectures. We do need to have a common understanding of what our respective long-term interests and objectives are. We want as much friendship as we can extend to each other and we want as much commerce as we can share."

Q. What about Mexico, a country which President Carter seems to have gone out of his way to antagonize and alienate?

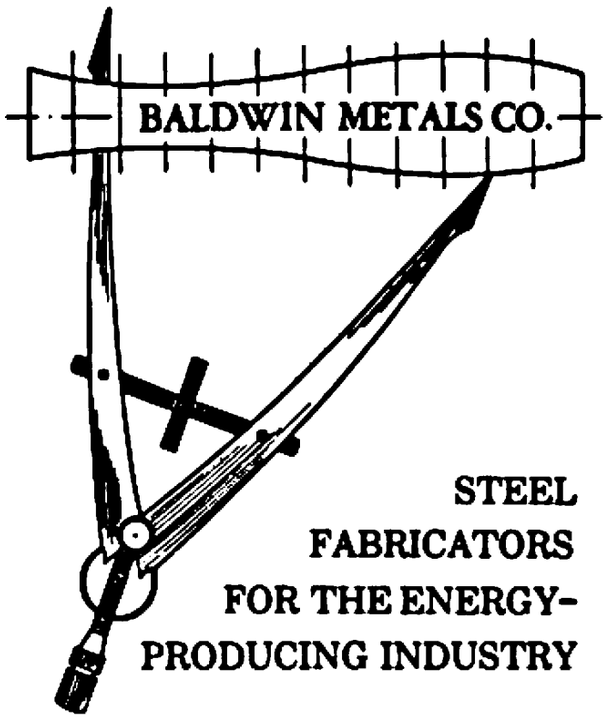
A. Governor Reagan has raised the curtain on the concept of a North American accord. He has had private conversations with Mexico's President Lopez Portillo on this subject, but has not forced the question. He has simply advanced an idea which can be given content by the practical self-interested response of our neighbors, some of whom feel threatened whenever we lay out a blueprint for them. I think we are going to have to learn to live in a world of approximate equals, rather than trying to live in a vanished world in which we tried to be the moral tutors of our neighbors.

Q. Moving to relations with the Soviet Union, would you expect a Reagan Administration to recognize and take steps to overcome the threat that the U.S.S.R. might deny the United States and other non-Communist countries access to oil and strategic materials from Africa, the Middle East, and elsewhere?

A. There is no question that a Reagan Administration would recognize this prospective danger and would act in every way possible to deter it. The Soviet Union is a remarkable anachronism — it is the last expanding empire. It is a nation which cannot modernize its own agriculture or support its own technical needs from abroad except by the sale of gold and other commodities. It has a backward economic base and a deeply divided and unhappy population, and yet it pretends to global power. It is a grandiose ambition which we can contest, and in fact deny the Soviets, if we have a government with a realistic conception of our strengths.

Q. What sort of strengths are you thinking of in this context?

A. One of them is our unique ability to mobilize financial resources through our worldwide banking institutions. The Eastern bloc has acquired debts that are so enormous and so inherently unsafe that the Western banking system and especially the West German banking system are, in effect, held hostage under the tacit



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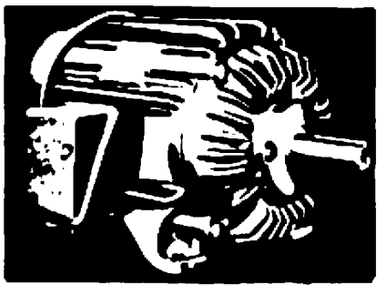

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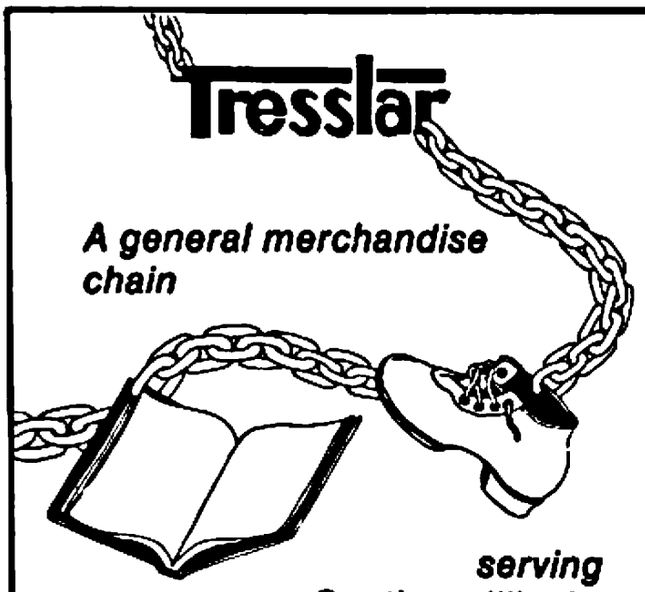

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potential threat of a Soviet default.

Q. And that would collapse those banking houses and the Western economies?

A. That's the potential threat, and it is something that a Reagan Administration would take a fresh and realistic look at. In our dealings with the Soviet Union it is not simply a question of transfer of technology or transfer of agricultural commodities to an adversary. The transfer of credit to the Eastern bloc is also a strategic question; one that we need to look at very closely with our allies. We must understand what we are doing to ourselves and how we are doing it. The Soviets ought not to have the opportunity that we've given them, not only potentially to deny us strategic goods, but to permit such economic warfare to be financed by Western capital.

Q. There have been a number of reports from Europe and the Far East to the effect that the U.S.S.R. has begun greatly to escalate stockpiling of strategic goods. For example, in just two months of 1980 they bought more rubber than they had purchased in the previous two years. What is your analysis? Is the Kremlin placing the U.S.S.R. on a war footing or preparing for economic warfare against the West?

A. The Soviet Union is on a permanent war footing. It is a totally mobilized society in which the priorities of the military sector are absolute and central. Civilian consumption in the Soviet Union is always a very distant second to the demands of the military. So in that sense their stockpiling is merely an escalation of what they have done in the past.

However, since the occupation of Afghanistan, the Soviets have indicated a new willingness to increase the stakes in their geopolitical gambles. I think there is a real danger that they will either find a pretense for the occupation of Iran, or will wait for an opportunity to be created by their agents inside that country. In any case, I think the U.S.S.R. may move into Iran, perhaps before a new U.S. Administration has fully taken over the reins of power and before it is able to conduct a thorough examination of our real ability to respond.

Q. Then, in effect, since a new Reagan Administration would commence a systematic overhaul of America's defense, economic, and foreign policies with an eye to strengthening them, the Kremlin's strategists might feel they should now grab what they can while the United States is at the bottom of its Carter decline?

A. Certainly the Soviets have a short-term opportunity before a new Administration begins full-scale mobilization of our long-neglected defense effort. They have a chance to move and perhaps permanently alter the geopolitical balance.

There are those who believe that the danger of war is even greater in Asia than it is in the Middle East, and that the possibility of a Soviet-backed Vietnamese invasion of Thailand is very grave indeed.

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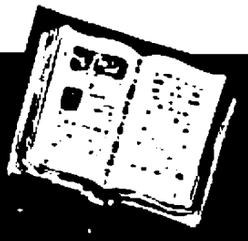

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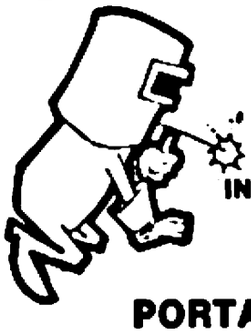

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Q. Do you believe the Politburo is likely to make a move in Iran, Thailand, or some other area?

A. If they see an opportunity to alter the geopolitical balance in their part of the world, I believe the Soviets might well take it. They might because they are confident that we do not have the equipment to deter them or to contain them.

Personally, I am particularly concerned about the strategic security of the Far East. With our forces diverted to the Indian Ocean and Persian Gulf, the Soviets might well embark on another proxy war.

Q. The Peiping press has carried quite a lot of material pointing to a potential Vietnamese/Soviet invasion of Thailand that links such aggression to Soviet oil needs for offshore drilling in the South China Sea, which Red China looks on as its territorial waters. Do you think that has any relation to reality?

A. The P.R.C. has had a long-standing, deepening anxiety about Soviet naval activity on the inland waters bordering China. As you know, the P.R.C. has engaged the U.S.S.R. for several years in diplomatic discussions looking toward the possibility of some kind of rapprochement. This is not at all inconsistent with their public hostility. Yet in every case there has been a collision of their stated naval goals and ambitions. The Soviets refuse Chinese demands for the neutralization of the waters that are essential to Chinese security interests, such as the Indian Ocean.

In what was South Vietnam, the Soviets have occupied our former naval facility at Cam Ranh Bay which is the finest natural harbor in the Far East. If you look at a map and draw a line outwards across the Pacific you see that this base commands the major oil routes and resource routes on which the sea-borne commerce of South Korea, the Philippines — all our friends and allies — totally depend. The P.R.C. is less dependent now, but its vulnerability will grow as it industrializes and its trade expands.

The Soviets may well decide that in the early 1980s, when they have a window of opportunity *vis-á-vis* the West, that they have a short-term strategic chance to grab something that would be beyond their grasp in the late 1980s and the 1990s if America recovers her military strength. On that basis, Chinese apprehensions about Soviet intentions are well founded.

Q. You mentioned Soviet needs for oil. Of course our own needs in this area are very pressing. Do you think a Reagan Administration would be able to improve the energy situation in our country?

A. I think we can improve it dramatically. The Governor is persuaded that it is possible to abolish the Department of Energy. I think we can transfer out of D.O.E. the weapons-related areas formerly under the old Atomic Energy Commission and then dispense with most of the bureaucracy that grew from the Energy Act of 1975.

Q. What about an energy policy?

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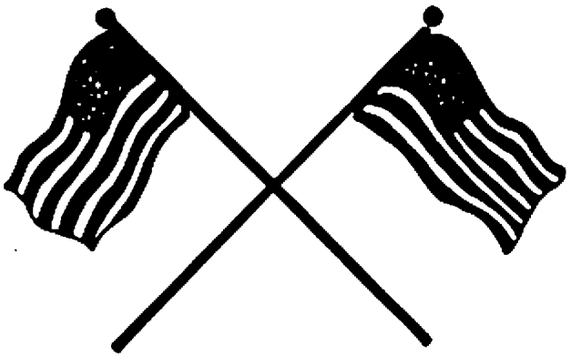

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That's been rather a mystery under Carter.

A. Much of the mystery of the energy policy predates the Carter Administration. Carter simply compounded it. Governor Reagan's approach to energy is direct, and one that I think would be enormously productive. He wants to free up the production of energy in this hemisphere and in the United States and encourage our neighbors to embark on the greatest search for hydrocarbons the world has ever seen.

On the testimony of some of the best-informed people in the energy industry, there is an awful lot of oil and even greater amounts of gas to be found in this hemisphere that could be exploited during the 1980s and 1990s as a bridge into an economy that will be increasingly based on nuclear energy and other synthetic and esoteric forms of energy.

Q. Regarding more immediate political problems, you are of course an authority on the Kennedy family. How do you explain the apparent radicalization of Senator Edward Kennedy? Were Joseph Kennedy's conservative associations for real, or was it just part of an opportunistic tradition that Teddy is following?

A. The Kennedys are opportunists *par excellence*. There is no core of principle to which one can point and say that the Kennedys will stand for these principles in any circumstances. In my research for *The Founding Father*, I studied Boston Irish politics in depth. The only question to be answered was: "What will it take to win?" And, whatever it took, they'd do it. After the Kennedys became wealthy, they never forgot that as far as they were concerned the only question to be answered remained the familiar one: "What will it take to win?"

Q. Is that a question Conservatives should ask themselves?

A. In public life, in my view, it is possible sometimes to be too fastidious. Conservatives have been too fastidious. Some Conservatives find Ronald Reagan not sufficiently Conservative and ideologically "pure" to merit their support in his campaign against Carter. I think the historical and strategic issues facing our country are so grave in this election that they ought to dispel these Conservative doubts and reservations in a moment. The very survival of America and the Free World is at stake. That grim realization ought to send us marching together toward a victory that will turn this country around.

Q. Do you think those Conservatives who have differences with Governor Reagan would have an opportunity in his Administration to express their views and perhaps strengthen his attitudes, or are they likely to be pushed into isolation?

A. Unquestionably the Reagan Administration would be the beginning of perhaps a generation of Conservative national leadership in this country. And if we have a realistic timetable and view of what can be achieved in four years, or in eight years, what might be achieved under a

Conservative successor, then we have the necessary long-range perspective we need to say: "All right, I agree with 75 percent of what Governor Reagan stands for. Therefore I will support him because perhaps in the future I will change, circumstances will change, and the government will change to the point where I agree with 90 percent of what a future Conservative President may be able to promise and achieve."

As far as I can see, there should be no issue on which a Conservative may legitimately differ with Governor Reagan that is so great as to compare with the stakes involved with his victory.

Q. And what are those points that are so overwhelmingly important?

A. The opportunity to regain control over our economy and make it stronger; the opportunity to regain control over our foreign and defense policies before the United States is driven into strategic isolation and impotence in the face of global Communist expansion. To me, that opportunity alone is the overriding consideration in the Presidential election.

Q. Should the worst-case scenario develop and President Carter reunite the Democrats and put together a campaign that enables him to remain in the White House another four years, how do you see the future?

A. The future would be bleak indeed. Carter is suffering from terminal incompetence. He has infected our system, our society, with despair as to the potential of this nation.

Should Carter win again, Conservatives would continue to be in opposition. I think then our banner would pass to a new generation of leaders. I think we would have to wage an even greater struggle on the state and local levels to recruit able people to be active in politics and to present better candidates for the House of Representatives and Senate.

Q. Would it be enough for Conservatives to win only the White House in the November elections?

A. No, we will not accomplish our objectives simply by regaining the Presidency. It must be our objective to win control of at least one House in the Congress within the next eight years so that we gain control of the permanent government of the United States, which is the Congress.

I think the mood of the country and the mood of the Congress are very favorable to a number of Conservative objectives. That mood can be crystalized not only by a Reagan victory in November but also by a succession of victories in the Senate and House. And yet, if we are denied victory in November, it does not mean we are defeated forever. It would mean we have to regroup around younger political leaders, Jack Kemp being among the most eligible. Most of all, we Conservatives must start thinking of ourselves as a governing majority, and not a minority in opposition. Then we must do whatever is necessary to win and govern well. ■ ■

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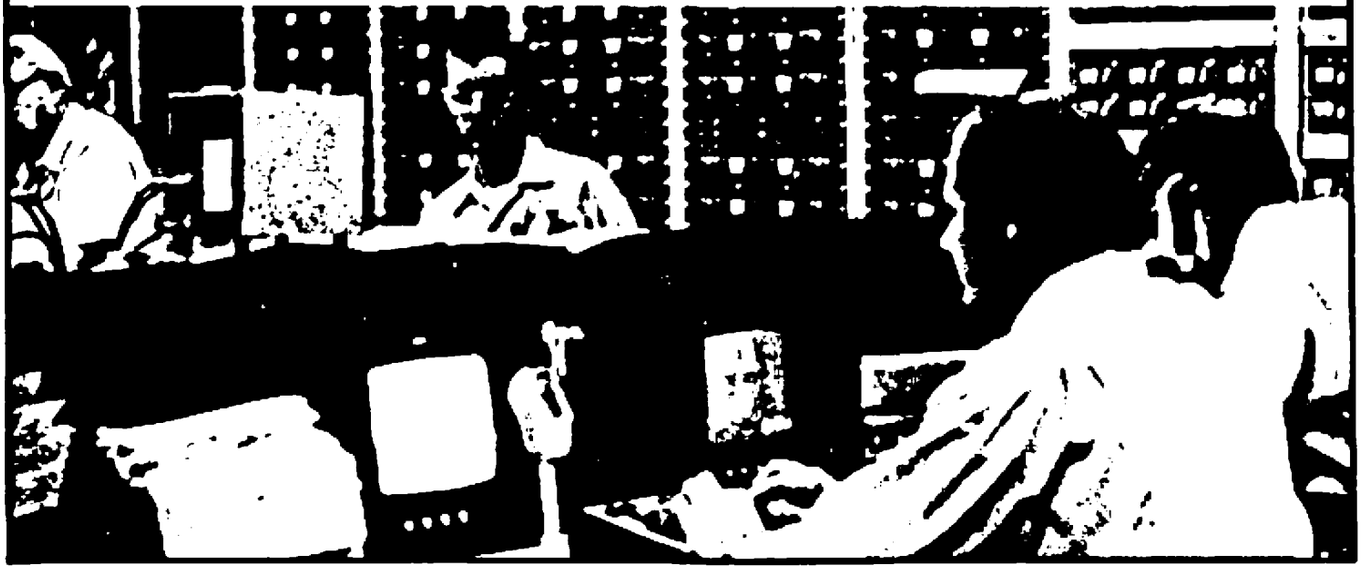

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'TIS PASSING STRANGE

■ A FEW MONTHS ago the Mobil Corporation reported that the French were moving ahead with plans to build new nuclear reactors that will generate up to 55 percent of the country's electricity by 1985. "Now our Gallic brethren are once again in the energy vanguard," notes Mobil. "In a bold move to reduce further its dependence on imported oil, France plans to increase *fivefold* its industrial consumption of coal for non-steel-making use over the next decade." Meanwhile the United States lags behind in nuclear power and sits on huge reserves of oil and coal which could supply our energy needs for decades. Severe licensing restrictions and environmental regulations hamstring development of these resources. The Mobil Corporation "has spent *five years* working on environmental permits for a coal mine near Gillette, Wyoming, and we still don't have all of them," notes Mobil. "The word is *action* for the French. And it's one we should really be taking to heart."

■ Gun-control lobbyists can relax a bit while the bureaucrats inaugurate a boa-constrictor control program. It seems that guns are no longer the only weapons popular with robbers. In Chicago, Antonio Zavola was held up at snake-point when he awakened one night in July to see a man standing by his bed, pointing a six-foot boa constrictor at his head. Duly taken aback by the sight of the threatening reptile, Antonio quickly surrendered his fortune of six dollars. The robber and his accomplice departed on a bicycle.

■ The newly created Department of Education presently has 17,350 employees, a first annual budget of $15.1 billion, and control of 152 federal education programs. The Department's Secretary Shirley M. Hufstedler will have six Assistant Secretaries and a direct telephone line to President Carter. She is already talking about new federal subsidies for rural and inner-city schools, for teacher sabbaticals, for moving urban schools to suburban areas, for greatly increased pupil transportation facilities to those areas, and for outpatient clinics to be attached to new school buildings.

Concerned parents see a diminution in state and local control of public schools, but "there will be no federal dominance of education," declares Secretary Hufstedler. "Does anyone actually believe that?" ask the editors of *The Selma Enterprise* in California. "Long before there is any prospect of total federal control, it is safe to predict that local school districts will be searching desperately for ways to disentangle themselves from Hufstedler's horde of bureaucrats, all possessed of little carrots and big sticks."

■ With the dropping of its pedagogic function the Department of Health, Education and Welfare (H.E.W.) became the Department of Health and Human Services (H.H.S.). Washingtonians accepted the new acronym without much concern. "But if the ideas of a few FDA wags catch on," says *Private Practice* in the July issue, "HHS execs may soon wish they had the Department of Education back under their roof. The chemical designation for HHS is H_2S, or hydrogen sulfide — The Department of Rotten Eggs?"

■ In our July 23rd issue we noted that it was "Passing Strange" that the head of Ronald Reagan's Campaign '80, Jack Savage, had limited political experience — limited, in fact, to consulting with Carter image-maker Gerald Rafshoon on the unsuccessful New York mayoral race for Liberal Party candidate Mario Cuomo. The next week, after only one month on the job, Mr. Savage resigned, giving "no comment" as to why. His replacement is Richard T. O'Reilly, who was on the advisory board of the November Group agency that worked for the G.O.P. in 1972.

■ Mickey Rooney, currently starring on Broadway in the hit musical "Sugar Babies," plans within 90 days to open the first of his long-envisioned chain of fast-food stores specializing in circular hot dogs served on hamburger rolls. The first store, to be called Weene Whirl, will debut in Bergen County, New Jersey. "There's nothing new about a hamburger," said the actor-entrepreneur. "But this is a new idea. I have all the patents. And I'm running all phases of the operation myself. We've already sold five franchises."

■ Major General James Stansberry, Air Force Systems Command deputy chief of staff, backs mining industry recommendations to open up more public land to exploration for strategic materials. He told a National Contract Management Association symposium in Los Angeles that we have nowhere near the level of such materials we need in stockpile. "The amount of land removed from mining due to various laws and regulations equals an area as large the entire U.S. east of the Mississippi," he said. "I'm not opposed to environmental and conservation needs — but there has to be a balance. We have 80 different laws affecting mining administered by 20 different agencies. They all seem to be saying, 'Don't mine in the United States.' "

■ Ten years ago Filthy McNasty opened a soon-to-become notorious bar on Hollywood's Sunset Strip. Evel Knievel and the motorcycle crowd were drawn to the place and John Wayne celebrated at McNasty's the evening he won an Academy Award for *True Grit*. So fond did Filthy become of his name that he adopted it legally and plans court action because "about 50 illegitimate Filthy McNasty clones" are doing business around the nation. "Some people play tennis for sport," said Mr. McNasty. "I sue people who steal my name." — M.P.W. ■ ■

POLITICS

Illinois: Dixon vs. O'Neal

■ The decision of "Liberal" Democratic Senator Adlai Stevenson III not to run for re-election opened an excellent opportunity for Conservatives to gain an important big-state seat. Lieutenant Governor David O'Neal, a Conservative Republican, ran an effective campaign to earn the G.O.P. nod in the March primary. His opponent is "Liberal" Democrat Alan Dixon, now Illinois secretary of state. Unlike O'Neal, who has experience in the private sector, Dixon is a lifelong politician, having held public office for 33 years.

O'Neal has generated much enthusiasm among Illinois Conservatives. They remember that he has repeatedly lobbied against the so-called Equal Rights Amendment, going against the wishes of "Liberal" Governor James Thompson. In addition, O'Neal is a staunchly pro-life, anti-SALT candidate whose relaxed manner has considerable appeal to a wide spectrum of voters.

David O'Neal's primary victory over the "moderate" G.O.P. Attorney General, William J. Scott, resulted from a combination of O'Neal's excellent organization and Scott's trial on income-tax evasion charges. Lieutenant Governor O'Neal enjoyed the support of Conservative Illinois stalwarts like the Crane brothers and Phyllis Schlafly, but recently even such "Liberal" Republicans as Charles Percy have publicly backed his efforts.

Dixon is a "Liberal" in the Stevenson mold. A major weakness is his reputation as a lightweight. An informed Democrat in Illinois told me: "Dixon has not been well-versed on the issues . . . . One reason he has a reputation as a strong candidate is that he has never run against anyone strong." To date he has avoided important issues, but the O'Neal campaign has gained a public commitment from Dixon to participate in four debates during September and October.

O'Neal expects to spend more than $2 million to win the seat. He will need every penny of that to offset Dixon's higher name recognition and massive labor-union support. The last quarter's F.E.C. report showed Dixon had already received in excess of $60,000 from the Big Labor P.A.C.s.

A fact not often noted is that O'Neal served as sheriff in a downstate area that is overwhelmingly Democrat. He has a proved ability to appeal to Democrat and Independent voters while maintaining his Conservative principles. In Illinois a Conservative Republican is likely to have a tough race. But a number of favorable circumstances, including continued internal problems in the Illinois Democrat party, give Conservatives a better than even shot at electing this fine man to the U.S. Senate. (Citizens For O'Neal, Suite 1000, 109 North Dearborn, Chicago 60602, telephone: 312-346-5434)

Penn. 24th: Marks vs. DiCarlo

■ An unusual situation has developed in this working-class District on the shores of Lake Erie in northwestern Pennsylvania. A "Liberal" Republican incumbent is facing a moderately Conservative Democrat.

The incumbent is Marc L. Marks (C.I.-21), seeking his third term. A self-described "moderate liberal," Marks has been dubbed the "Erie Weirdo" by the local press because of his on-again, off-again campaign for the U.S. Senate last year. Marks voted against the B-1 bomber, for taxpayer financing of congressional campaigns, and has gone out of his way to insult pro-life activists in Pennsylvania.

The challenger is David DiCarlo, a four-term State Representative with a respectable pro-life voting record. A personable, charismatic campaigner, DiCarlo enjoys a large measure of blue-collar support, yet has a fine pro-business voting record in the Pennsylvania House.

David DiCarlo represents a pragmatic choice for Conservatives as a vast improvement over the "Liberal" incumbent Republican. In July, the Marks campaign itself released a poll which showed that the incumbent's once overwhelming lead had declined by some 12 percent. DiCarlo will have a rough time closing the gap even further, but with adequate funding he just might do it. (Dave DiCarlo For Congress, 1181 Robison Road, Erie, Pennsylvania 16509, telephone: 717-783-1593)

Idaho 2nd: Hansen vs. Bilyeu

■ Longtime Conservative activists remember that in 1964 George Hansen (C.I.-97) was the only G.O.P. Conservative to be newly elected outside of the South. Despite accusation after accusation directed against him by opponents in the years since, Hansen has retained a strong appeal to the voters of his conservative District. After an unsuccessful attempt at the Senate in 1968, George returned to the House in 1974.

Hansen has this year drawn strong Democrat opposition from former State Senator Diane Bilyeu of Pocatello. Although she is campaigning as a Conservative, her past support for Frank Church and backing of President Carter should hurt her. Bilyeu has the support of Idaho labor organizations, and could be expected to support strong O.S.H.A. requirements. Hansen, on the other hand, has been one of the most effective opponents of that bureaucratic agency.

George Hansen will probably retain this seat. But it is critical that he run extremely well in order to assist the G.O.P. effort to elect Conservative 1st District Congressman Steve Symms (C.I.-96) to the U.S. Senate, replacing "Liberal" Democrat Frank Church (C.I.-28). Congressman Hansen himself says he needs strong financial backing because a big win will deliver substantial benefits to the Conservative effort in Idaho. (George Hansen For Congress, Box 1330, Pocatello, Idaho 83201, telephone: 208-232-1183) — PAUL WEYRICH ■ ■

Let The Buyer Beware

W.A. "John" Johnson reports on what the economic newsletters are saying about finance and the economy.

■ HERE ARE the current views of leading private economic advisors:

Joseph Bradley's July *Investor Hotline* (monthly cassette service) interviewed Congressman **Larry McDonald**, a member of the House Armed Services Committee and an expert on internal security. McDonald said the U.S.S.R. is now the Number One military power in the world. He said the U.S. is already being blackmailed by the U.S.S.R. and there is a real possibility of far more serious blackmail during 1982–1985. Over that period the U.S. will face the greatest peril in its history, warns McDonald. We will be lucky to avoid a dictatorial regime during the next six or seven years, he says. McDonald believes the people don't know what's going on and that they must be made to realize they're losing their freedoms. (108 Galewood Road, Timonium, Maryland 21093, $175)

Donald McAlvany's July *Gold And Monetary Report* sees very grim times ahead for South Africa as it becomes the target of a worldwide Communist propaganda attack supported from the U.S. This is part of an attempt to conquer South Africa from within, by subversion, terrorism, and fomenting revolt among its predominantly black population. Although he believes South Africa will survive this ordeal, McAlvany thinks a black cloud may be cast over the South African gold shares, an event which would benefit North American shares. (Suite 309, 1660 South Albion Street, Denver 80222, $75)

Donald Rowe contends in his July 14th *Wall Street Digest* that the threat of another Soviet invasion, even before election day, is keeping the price of gold high. From an economic standpoint, Rowe says we can expect inflation to decelerate at least into the second quarter of 1981 and gold always falls as inflation decelerates. The stock market should continue up until Labor Day and a DJIA of 1000 by then is possible. (120 Wall Street, New York City 10005, $125)

R.E. McMaster's July 18th issue of *The Reaper* says better opportunities may develop in the commodities market in early August "after Moscow has done its thing to the Olympics. At that time, everyone and his hound dog plans on buying gold. Thus, we should expect gold to bottom either just before the conclusion of the Olympics or considerably after," says McMaster. (Box 39026, Phoenix 85069, $225)

Howard Ruff predicts in his July 15th *Ruff Times* that gold "is still on the way to $850 or better on this move.

Then back to below $500. If you want to speculate in gold, do it with paper — gold certificates, gold shares, or gold futures. If you want to invest in gold, do it with gold coins. Buy them and hang on forever," he says. Ruff is nervous about the silver market as a speculation. He thinks silver bags, a good long-term holding, might be purchased for less later on. (Box 2000, San Ramon, California 94583, $145)

Morgan Maxfield's July 10th *Economic Meteorology* said that while the stock market should be one of the best arenas for investment in 1981, July was not the time to buy. Mid-August may be an appropriate time, he says, as all news will be as black as can be. He says silver may stage a sensational rally as soon as it is realized that the Hunt silver is not going to be dumped on the market. It could reach the $23-$28 level over the next few months, he thinks. (Rural Route 13, North Kansas City, Missouri 64161, $99)

James Kelder's issue of *Personal Finance* for July 9th says that for the intermediate term (1 to 2 years) the stock and bond markets are expected to recover. However, it appears prudent to wait till later this fall or early 1981 before buying. For the long term (2 to 10 years) "we can expect investments in gold, silver, hard currencies . . . , natural resource stocks, real estate and the collectibles markets to reassert themselves as inflation returns with a vengeance." (901 North Washington Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, $65)

James Blanchard III, in his July *Gold Newsletter*, predicts higher gold prices over the next 6 to 9 months. "I believe that by the end of this year, we will see $900-$1000 gold and we could see a further doubling or tripling of the gold price to the $2000-$3000 level by 1981-1982." (8422 Oak Street, New Orleans 70118, $39)

Ian McAvity's July 9th *Deliberations* says our dollar looks very bad and "the potential for a 'real' run on the US dollar is rapidly moving from the realm of possibility to the realm of probability . . . and the consequences are huge." A run-up of gold to the $700-720 resistance band is not likely, he thinks, but adds one should cut losses if $585 occurs on the downside. This does not apply to "core" holdings, he says. (Box 182, Adelaide Street Station, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5C, 2JI, $150)

Martin Zweig says in his July 18th issue of *Forecast*: "I advise riding out any correction (in the stock market), remaining fully or near-fully invested. You know, it's a bull market." The Dow has been in a major downtrend for 15 years but in Zweig's opinion that is now finished. (747 Third Avenue, New York City 10017, $150)

John Lozos' July 9th *Pro-Market Advisor* says the stock market rally is not over. There is much more to come, minor corrections aside. "We are quite confident that we will see the upper 900's and a four-figure Dow isn't out of the question, before visiting the 500 level." Lozos believes the market is now broadly based. (Box 1685, Rockford, Illinois 61110, $150) ■ ■

OVERSEAS

New Moves In Middle East

■ Two new developments in the Middle East have further tipped the balance of power against Israel. First, it is now clear that Palestinian terrorist Yasir Arafat is becoming an Arab Castro for Soviet Russia. The Soviets are gradually constructing a chain of pro-Palestinian nations to threaten governments in the region which refuse to recognize Arafat as a head of state. French Communist leader Georges Marchais was dispatched to Beirut to confer with Arafat in late April, and now India's Indira Gandhi has given the terrorist leader permission to open a Palestinian office in her country.

Even more dangerous for both Egypt and Israel is radical Iraq's acquisition of an atomic bomb, which it obtained with French aid. The Israeli intelligence service, Mossad, has taken steps to erase the threat. The two initial reactors for "Operation Osirak," the code name of the nuclear scheme, were ready for delivery when Mossad succeeded in infiltrating Iraq's naval installations at Seyne-sur-Mer, near Toulon, and destroying them on April 6, 1979. And, on the night of June 14th of this year, Mossad agents assassinated Professor Yahia el-Meshad in Paris. El-Meshad was a top Arab physicist, educated in both Russia and the United States, who was being trained to handle the French equipment.

These Israeli operations have caused a temporary setback for the anti-Israel forces, but they have also resulted in a hardening of French support for the Arabs. Look for serious consequences from these developments before the end of the year.

Barré's Greed Is Dangerous

■ Somalia's President Siad Barré is in a precarious position. Thousands of his people have been starving and it is well known that the Communists of Russia, East Germany, and Cuba are planning an assault on his country, which commands a strategic position on the Horn of Africa at the entrance to the Red Sea. In spite of his danger, however, Barré has turned down an American offer of $400 million for the use of Berbera as a military base and is reportedly holding out for $2 billion. Perhaps President Barré is afraid that the United States will not have the courage to stick with him if Somalia is actually attacked, but his present unprotected situation can only make an invasion more likely.

Iranian Bloodbath Continues

■ The military executions in Iran have been far more numerous than the press has revealed. Thousands of Iranians are being shot without trial on the strength of dubious suspicion that they helped plan an alleged *coup d'état* to overthrow the Khomeini regime. The silence of the French press is understandable; the French government is conducting secret negotiations with Iran to procure more oil. But

neither the British nor the American media, both of which raised a tremendous storm when the Shah's government executed drug traffickers, have reported the massive Khomeini slaughter as little more than the killing of a few criminals.

American reluctance to condemn the shootings has added to foreign distrust of our leadership. In the months following the Shah's fall, foreign officials blamed President Carter and his bevy of "human rights" ideologues for the successful militant *coup*, and with good reason. Patricia Derian, head of the President's Human Rights Office, used her power to block a shipment of tear gas desperately needed by the Shah's security forces to control the radical-led mobs. Henry Precht, head of the Iranian Desk at the State Department, did his best to see the Shah destroyed and the Khomeini murderers installed. And resentment is now focused on the President's wife Rosalynn, who took it upon herself to write letters of advice to the Shah's Empress as to what the Shah should do.

Foreign statesmen have dismissed Carter as a lightweight convinced that remaking America's friends is more important than Western security. Confidence in American strength is at an all-time low, and the mood was not helped by the pretentious television speeches of Presidential hopeful John Anderson during his recent European tour. Aghast, the French cannot understand how such a man can be taken seriously even in America.

TV Publicity Spurred Terrorists

■ British security services are compiling a study of the six-day siege of the Iranian Embassy in London, which ended in the death of three terrorists. The interaction between the militants and the commandos of the Special Air Services regiment (S.A.S.), as well as the handling of the affair by the media, are being scrutinized for clues which could help in handling such illegal seizures in the future. The admitted reason for the raid was the terrorists' demand for the release of 91 political prisoners being held in Khuzistan province, but that was apparently only an excuse. A captured gunman told the S.A.S. that the London Embassy was chosen for the attack because the terrorists knew the British would give them the best television publicity.

Meanwhile, the intelligence forces of Iranian resistance leader General Gholam-Ali Oveissi, who are working closely with trusted Western agents, have informed London that films of Britain's TV coverage of the siege have been made available to terrorist organizations such as the P.L.O. and the I.R.A. These gangs have learned so much about the S.A.S. from the television reports that the British assault methods must now be changed.

Many Americans recall the role television played in creating propaganda against U.S. participation in Vietnam. Perhaps the time has come when Western security interests should be placed before sensational entertainment. — H. du B. ■ ■

An Intelligence Report

Frank A. Capell evaluates intelligence from both private and official sources in Washington and around the world.

■ CHAIRMAN of a newly established panel that is studying the economic functions of the State Department and Foreign Service is **Ambassador Edwin M. Martin**, former Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs, and also for Inter-American Affairs. Martin joined the State Department in 1945 with a group from the Communist-infested Office of Strategic Services.

Edwin Martin was required to have security clearance and was repeatedly investigated by security officers. Intelligence reports indicate that he was a dues-paying member of the Washington, D.C., branch of the subversive Institute of Pacific Relations, which published one of his books. The I.P.R. was officially cited as "an instrument of Communist policy, propaganda and military intelligence." Martin was admittedly close to and took counsel from John Carter Vincent, a trustee of the I.P.R., who was identified under oath as a member of the Communist Party. And Edwin Martin was listed as a member of the Washington, D.C., Book Shop Association, officially cited as Communist and subversive. Not only was he a close contact of individuals known to be Communists, but in at least one instance was closely connected with a Soviet intelligence ring.

As a result of repeated derogatory reports, the State Department's Security Office called the attention of the Secretary of State to Edwin Martin's background. He was given top security clearances by "higher authority," but in spite of these clearances intelligence officers maintained a continuous open file on him. Martin has for years been a member of the secretive Council on Foreign Relations. At age 72 he is still playing an influential role in our government.

■ From experts on Latin America comes a warning that, once the Presidential election is over, **Fidel Castro** will with Soviet blessing foment Leftist agitation in Panama and try to topple the Government and take control of the Panama Canal.

■ Those who persist in wondering whether the new revolutionary **Government of Nicaragua is Communist** should listen to Humberto Ortega, commander of the revolution and head of the Sandinista National Police. Over Managua Radio Sandino on a call-in question and answer program he was asked the following question by William Trujillo: "The authorities have said repeatedly that our government is eminently Sandinist and have always denied they are Marxist-Leninist. Commander Ortega, can you ex-

plain the differences and similarities between Sandinism and Marxism-Leninism?" The answer by Ortega was this: "In the first place, I would like to tell Mr. Trujillo that we have never denied that we are Marxist-Leninists. We have always declared that we are Sandinists, but we have never denied that we are Marxist-Leninists."

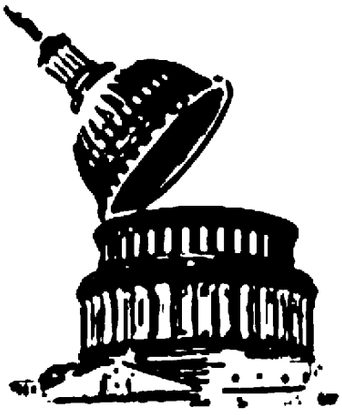
■ Middle Eastern terrorists in Paris have provoked the normally obedient French police into near-rebellion over the dangers to which officers are exposed. Almost 4,000 police in civilian clothes staged a silent protest march to funeral services from the apartment house of former Iranian Premier Shahpour Bakhtiar, where one policeman was killed and three others wounded in an attempt to assassinate Bakhtiar. The police have been staging a cold war with the government, demanding that the large number of foreign intelligence operatives and other heavily armed non-diplomats be disarmed. Police union spokesmen say they are going to ask their members to start arresting foreign bodyguards carrying guns illegally.

Many of the African chiefs of state who visit the French capital are accompanied by armed thugs, who have neither diplomatic immunity nor French gun permits. Bernard Deldplace, head of the independent police union, observes: "It's a very dangerous situation. All the Arab and North African Embassies are armed to the teeth, and they all know each other, so they shoot at each other when they meet."

French President Valery d'Estaing has issued a statement saying that, while France will continue to honor its long traditions of political asylum, "it will not accept becoming a base for foreign citizens seeking to organize or undertake violent actions. The necessary measures to protect the national territory from that will be taken."

A French lawyer who represents a number of Iranian exiles in Paris, especially pro-monarchists, said his clients have been warned by the French police not to go outdoors. He said his clients see the purpose of the actual and attempted killings of Iranians in Washington and Paris as an effort to intimidate opposition to the revolutionary government of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

■ A report from Pakistan indicates that the Soviets are using booby traps in their efforts to put down resistance in Afghanistan. A number of seriously wounded Afghan rebels have been admitted to the main hospital in Peshawar, Pakistan, victims of booby-trapped objects spread throughout the Konarha Valley in eastern Afghanistan. The victims said that the explosives were hidden in pens, packets of biscuits, toys, watches, and even flashlights. They said Soviet soldiers had left them along the banks of the Konarha River. The Islamic Alliance for the Liberation of Afghanistan, which speaks for five Muslim liberation groups fighting in Afghanistan, said that the Soviets had also been scattering land mines, many of them easily mistaken for rocks, along the main routes in the Konarha Valley. ■ ■



From The Hopper

Pending legislation of special interest to those alarmed about Big Government.

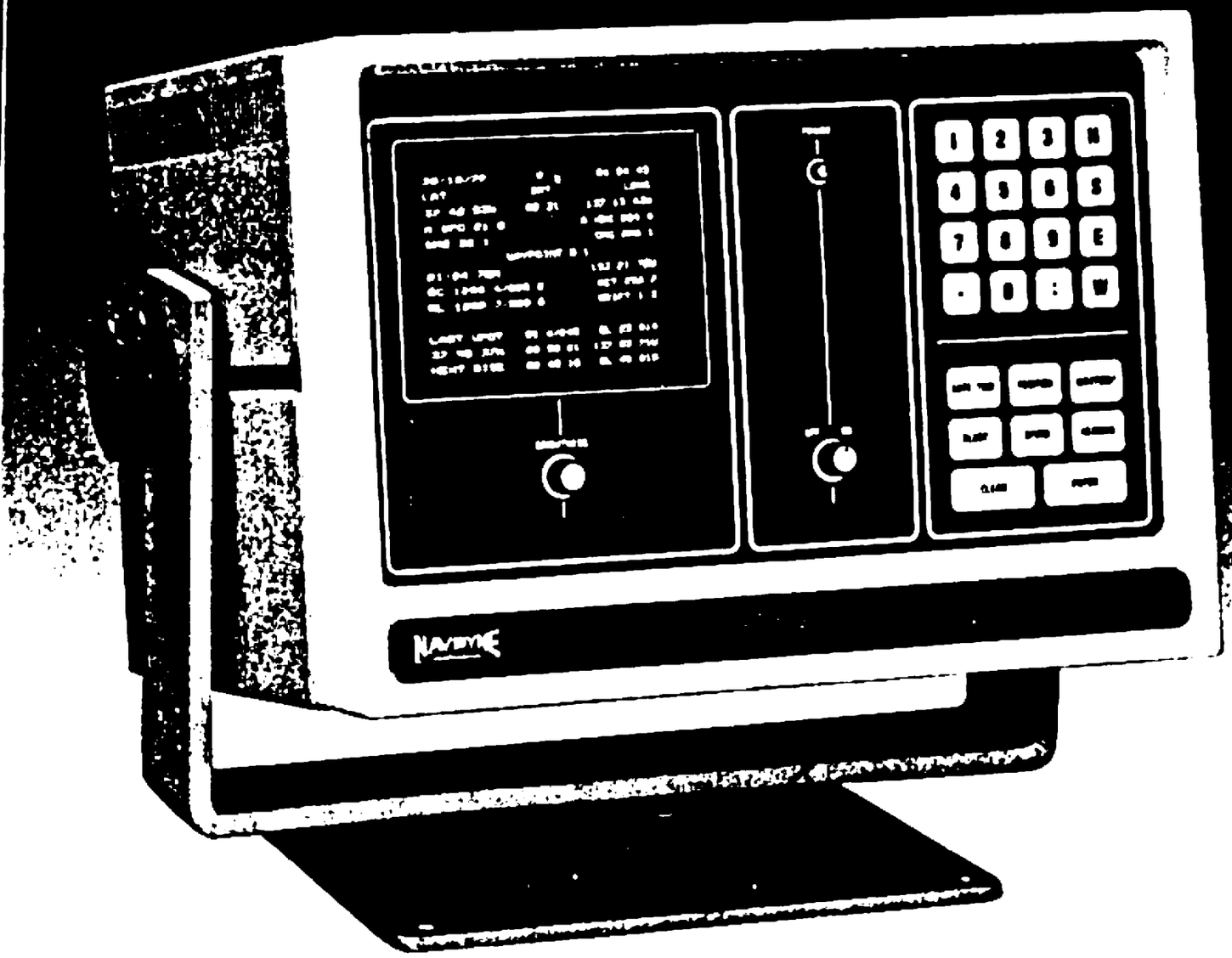
■ HERE, from the congressional hopper, are some of the bills and Resolutions of interest to Conservatives:

Withdrawal From A.B.M. Treaty (H.J. Res. 566, June 10th, House Foreign Affairs Committee). On May 26, 1972, the United States signed with the Soviet Union a treaty limiting each nation to two anti-ballistic missile (A.B.M.) installations, one of which would protect the national capital while the other would protect a single offensive missile site. The Senate, seemingly oblivious to the Soviet record of broken treaties and cheating on other international agreements, overwhelmingly approved the treaty by a vote of 88 to 2 on August 3, 1972, thus relegating to the scrapheap the important A.B.M. system on which we had spent billions.

Representative Ron Paul (R.-Texas) has introduced House Joint Resolution 566 to withdraw the United States from the A.B.M. treaty. The Paul Resolution notes that the treaty has "thwarted the development of an anti-ballistic missile system necessary to defend the American people from an attack," then catalogues a few of the recent developments which clearly indicate Communist intentions to threaten "the supreme interests of the United States." They include: (1) "The invasion of the sovereign state of Afghanistan by the Soviet Union and the placement of offensive missiles in that nation . . ."; (2) "The development of an intercontinental ballistic missile by the People's Republic of China . . ."; (3) "The massive civilian defense program created by the Government of the Soviet Union . . ."; (4) "The program of massive militarization by the Soviet Union that has resulted in an imbalance of power with the United States of America . . ."; and, (5) "The placement of offensive nuclear weapons in Cuba" by the Soviet Union.

The Resolution would authorize and direct the President to notify the U.S.S.R. of U.S. withdrawal from the A.B.M. agreements within three days following the measure's enactment by Congress, with the withdrawal to become effective six months after such notice is given the Soviets.

Immigration Limitation (S. Con. Res. 94/H. Con. Res. 373, May 14th/June 24th, Senate/House Judiciary Committees.) Current U.S. immigration policy poses a serious and increasing threat to the well-being of the nation. It is one thing to welcome a reasonable number of *legal* immigrants and refugees who are determined eventually to become produc-



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tive and self-sustaining citizens. It is quite another to have the United States serve as a sponge to soak up the excess populations of Communist, socialist, and other repressive regimes whose collectivist economic and political systems have worked to make it impossible to produce adequate food, clothing, and shelter.

At the present time, immigration into the United States is at its highest level in more than 50 years, exceeding the total of all other free nations combined. It is likely that some foreign governments are actually enticed to promote the mass exodus of their own citizens due to the expectation that the U.S. will absorb them with hardly a complaint.

Senator Walter Huddleston (D.-Kentucky) introduced Senate Resolution 94 to limit the number of immigrants (including refugees) during Fiscal 1980 to no more than 650,000 — a number greater than the population in five of our country's states. Even this is double the statutory level of our immigration preference system. But, if strictly enforced, it would be a marked improvement over the situation which actually exists today.

The Huddleston Resolution notes, among other things, that the U.S. simply cannot continue to "act as a safety valve for regimes that are oppressive or incapable of fostering an adequate standard of living for their people." It also points out that such unchecked immigration "will complicate and delay the solution to important national problems such as excessive Federal spending, inflation, energy shortages, and unemployment." The Resolution continues perceptively to note that "the expulsion of these unwanted and discontented citizens serves to support totalitarian regimes by reducing pressures for internal change and accommodation of human rights."

The direct cost to American taxpayers for assistance to refugees alone will exceed $1.7 billion in Fiscal 1980 and another $2.1 billion in Fiscal 1981. In addition, *illegal* immigration (running as high as two million individuals annually) is absorbing jobs, housing, social services, and resources which would otherwise be available to needy Americans. The Labor Department estimates that if even two million jobs presently held by illegal immigrants were freed, unemployment would drop below four percent.

The Select Commission on Immigration and Refugee Policy is wrestling with the vexing problem, but is at least a year away from a final report. The Huddleston Resolution seeks to provide an interim solution pending completion of the Commission's work. An identical proposal, House Concurrent Resolution 373, was introduced in the House by Representative Tony Coelho (D.-California).

Federal Benefits Limitation (H.R. 7521, June 5th, House Government Operations Committee). Another measure sponsored by Conservative Congressman Ron Paul (R.-Texas) would, in a spirit similar to that of the Huddleston/Coelho Resolution, place the interests of American citizens

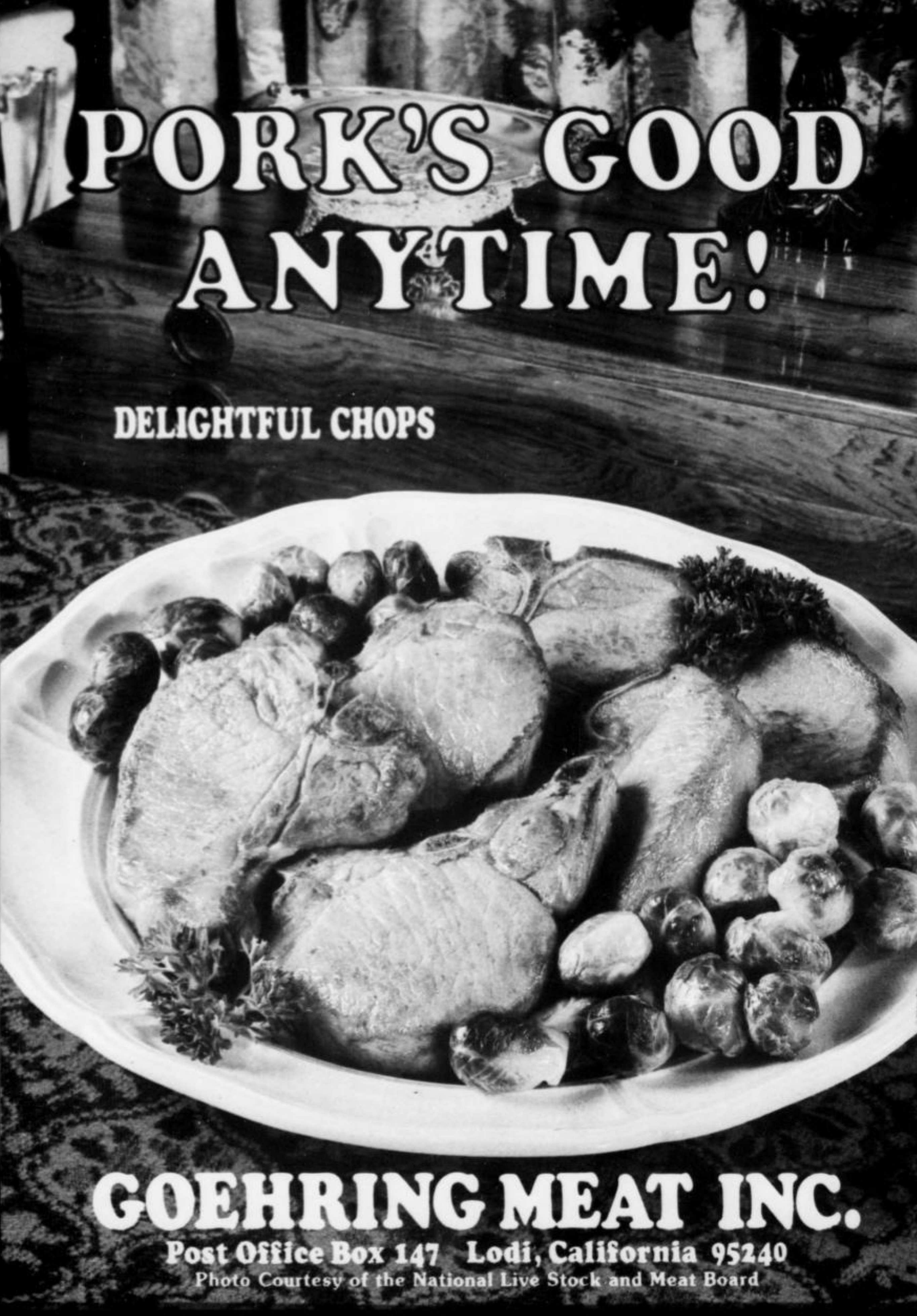
first by providing that "United States citizenship shall be an eligibility requirement for any benefits wholly funded or administered by the Federal Government." The bill, H.R. 7521, would "terminate any Federal assistance toward any program of benefits in which such assistance is used to provide benefits to noncitizens."

The Penny Shortage (H. Con. Res. 375, June 25th, House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee). The Bureau of the Mint is producing 20 percent more pennies this year than it did in 1979, yet demand is far exceeding supply as increasing numbers of Americans resort to hoarding the coins in expectation of an increase in the future value of their copper content. It appears that the Mint has no intention of further increasing penny production, so in an attempt to deal with the growing shortage which is hindering their operations many banks are buying the coins from the public at a premium (such as fifty-five cents for a fifty-penny roll).

As a partial solution to the problem, the witty and always innovative Representative Lawrence Patton McDonald (D.-Georgia) suggests, via House Concurrent Resolution 375, that the unpopular Susan B. Anthony dollar coins (which contain significant amounts of copper and have been largely rejected by the American people due to their ugly design and confusing size) be retrieved from circulation and melted down to extract "the copper content for use in minting additional pennies to meet the Nation's demands."

Legislative Lemon Award. The sovereignty and independence of the United States have been gradually eroded in recent decades by entangling political and economic alliances. There has also been a move increasingly to intertwine our legal system with that of the International Court of Justice (World Court). On June 4th, for example, Representative Jonathan Bingham (D.-New York) introduced House Concurrent Resolution 352 to form a Special Committee on Advisory Opinions from the World Court. Following its establishment by the United Nations, the Special Committee would seek advisory opinions of the World Court at the request of a national court or tribunal authorized by national legislation to make such a request, regarding any question of international law within the jurisdiction of such a court or tribunal. The Special Committee would propose legislation for adoption by our own Congress to authorize U.S. federal courts to (1) request World Court advisory opinions, (2) establish procedures whereby our courts may submit such requests to the Special Committee, and (3) define the scope of acceptance by the United States of this expanded jurisdiction of the World Court.

The Bingham Resolution to promote increasing World Court interference and influence in U.S. legal affairs was referred to the House Foreign Affairs Committee. It earns its sponsor the year's 17th Legislative Lemon Award. — R.W.L. ■ ■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Q. In how many states is John Anderson on the ballot?

— A.Y., Campo, Colo.

A. The procedure for gaining ballot position varies in each state. Nonetheless, Illinois Representative John Anderson's special counsel, Laurence Tribe of the Harvard Law School, claims that his man will be on the ballot in every state. To date, however, Mr. Anderson is on the ballot in only eight states, though his name has been filed in 19. The Anderson forces say they have sufficient petition signatures to assure position in another dozen states. Among Mr. Anderson's problems are five states in which filing deadlines were reached before he announced his independent campaign; another five where it is illegal for persons who have voted in the primaries to sign independent petitions; and, nine states where it is not permitted for a candidate who ran and lost in a primary to run for the same office in a general election or forbidden for so-called independents also to belong to a political party (Anderson still considers himself a Republican). Moreover, the Democratic National Committee is challenging the Anderson candidacy in more than a dozen states, fearful that most of the votes that Parson John might receive would come from their column. It is probably right.

Anderson faces uphill task on ballot positions.

Q. Is it illegal to buy alcoholic drinks or cigarettes with Food Stamps?

— S.M., Wausau, Fla.

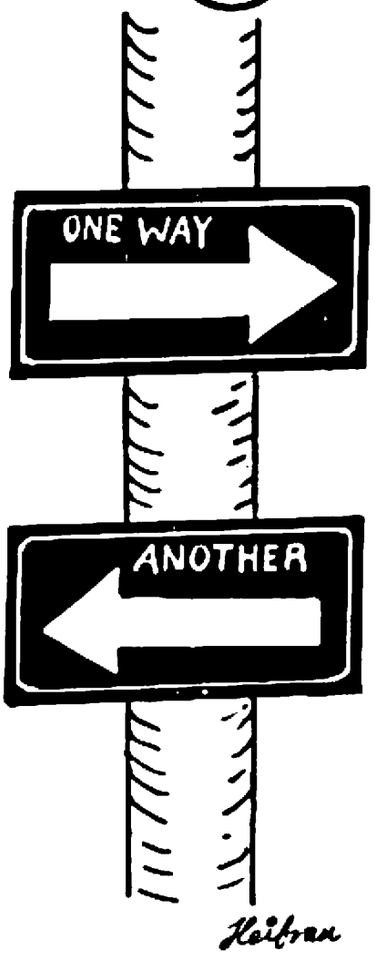
A. Yes. But an all-too-common dodge is to make a small legal purchase with the coupons, then use the change to buy what is in effect subsidized beer, cigarettes, *etc.*

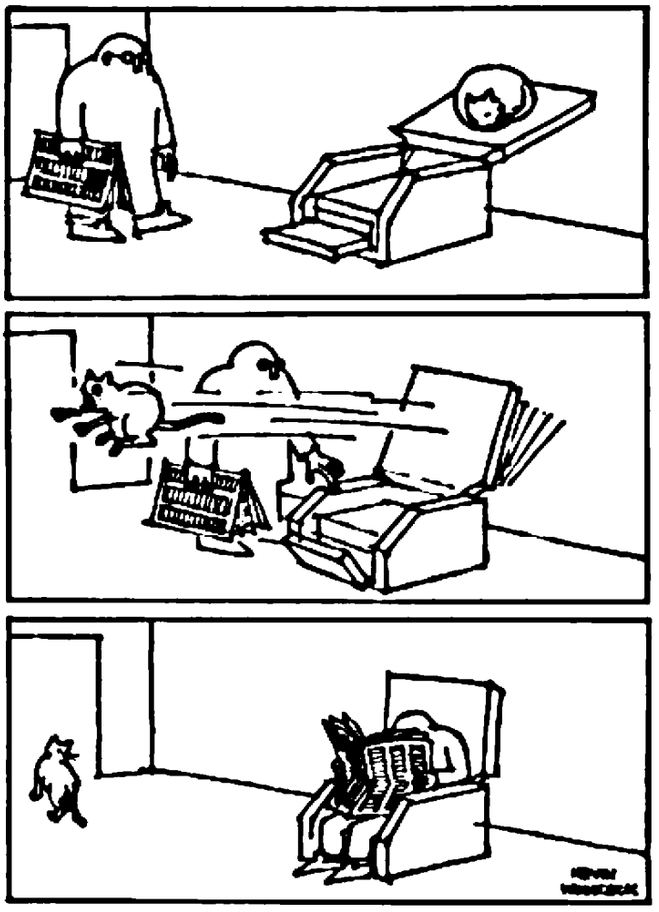
Q. During the last Presidential election Jimmy Carter had a huge lead in the polls and yet was barely voted into office. How much of a lead did he actually hold over Gerald Ford?

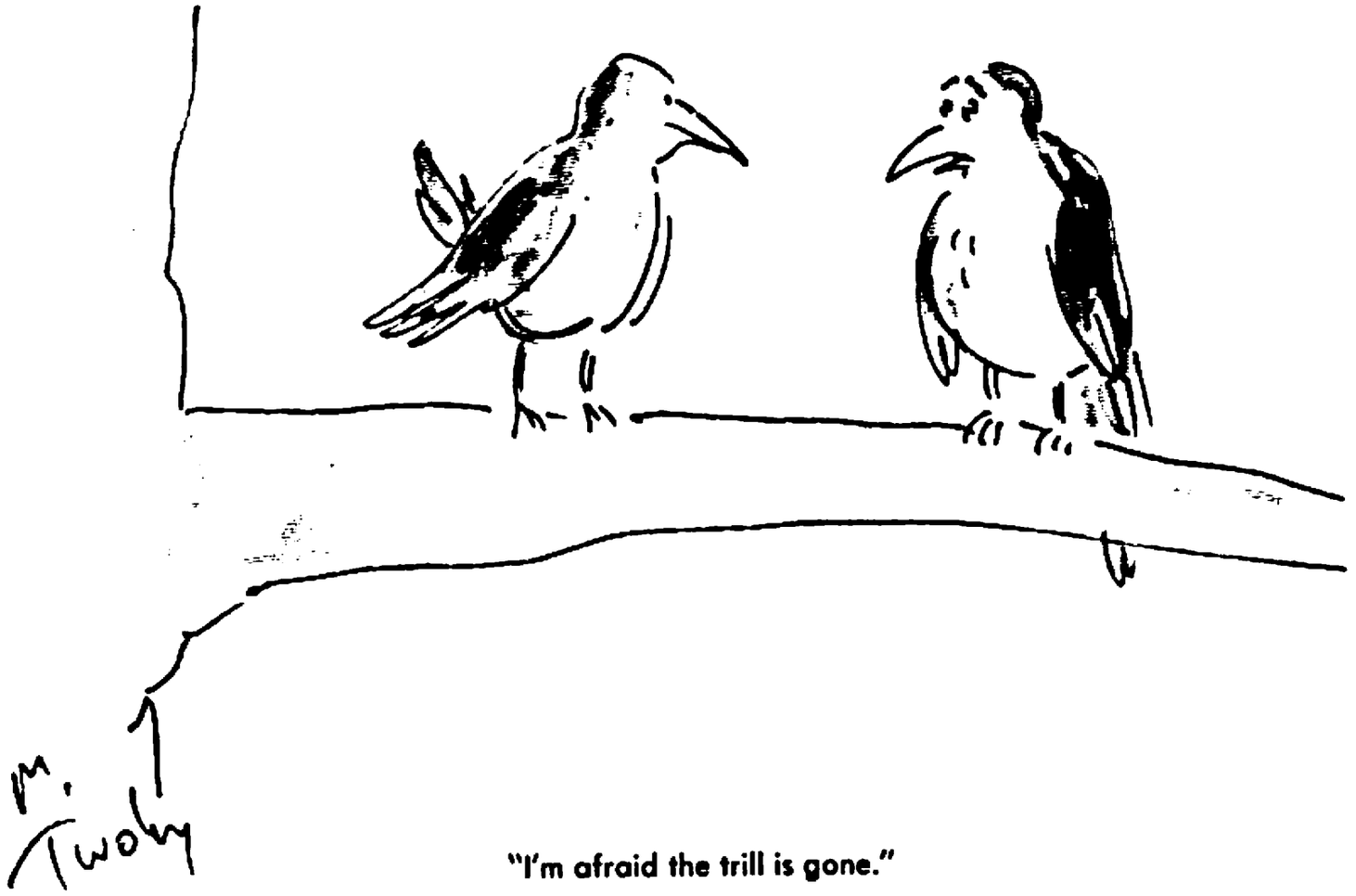
— B.O.S., Petersburg, Va.

A. At one point in 1976 (after the Democratic Convention, which was held first that year) candidate Jimmy Carter led President Gerald Ford by 35 percentage points in the Harris poll; his eventual edge at the polls was only two percent. This year, after the G.O.P. Convention, that same poll

Laugh Lines







"I'm afraid the trill is gone."

showed Ronald Reagan with a 28 percent lead, 61-33, up 43 points in comparison to Carter since March.

Q. On what does the Department of Energy spend most of our money?

— A.B., Armbrust, Pa.

A. Testimony before Congress has revealed that the Department of Energy has spent *87 percent* of its $11 billion budget on outside consultants and contracts. For example, when D.O.E. wanted to identify all of the energy forms it requires businesses to file it actually went out and hired a consultant to discover and report to the D.O.E. on D.O.E.'s own requirements. Contractors also frequently prepare the speeches and reports that D.O.E. bureaucrats deliver in congressional testimony. And outside personnel often write their own "task factors," describing the job for which they are to be hired. Commented Senator David Pryor (D.-Arkansas), who co-chaired Hearings in this area, the Department of Energy's "reliance on contractors is so extreme that . . . it is hard to understand what, if anything, is left for federal employees to do." Indeed, the 200,000 D.O.E. contract workers number some 10 times those in the agency itself.

Meanwhile, the bureaucratic war on our energy producers continues. For every $1 that an oil company shareholder receives in dividends, the government now soaks the producer for $12 in taxes. Then there's the case of the Deepwater General Station in New Jersey: Following federal energy policy the plant had to change from burning coal to oil in 1969; back to coal in 1973; reverted again to oil in 1974; and, at the urging of the capricious Department of Energy is now scheduled to shift once more to coal.

Q. What is the income requirement to qualify for H.U.D. housing?

— R.B., Caddo Mills, Tex.

A. To be eligible for a housing subsidy, one need earn 80 percent or less of the median income in the area. Thus in Chicago a family of four earning $15,034 a year qualifies as poor; in

Senator Armstrong exposes cost of housing subsidies.

Washington, D.C., $15,083; and, in New York City, that family could earn $17,269 and still be eligible for more than $6,000 in annual subsidies. According to Senator William Armstrong (R.-Colorado), a member of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee, just one provision of the 1974 Housing and Community Development Act — known as Section 8 — may soon be costing us up to $600 billion. Already, between 1974 and 1979, we have paid some $310 billion in Section 8 subsidies.

Senator Armstrong calls this sheer madness. "It doesn't make sense," he continues. "You take from a working guy the money he has earned with his

hands and you use it to pay for somebody else's housing — housing often far superior to that of the man who is paying the bill." For example, an apartment renting for more than $500 a month in Los Angeles is available for the "poor" at $126. Or consider the opulent Taino Towers in New York City, as described by Donald Robinson in the June *Reader's Digest*:

"Located in East Harlem, Taino's 35-story, concrete-and-glass towers contain 656 air-conditioned apartments, ranging from studios to duplexes and featuring double-size windows and screened-in balconies. There are also greenhouses, an Olympic-size swimming pool, an auditorium and a gymnasium. Apartments in this classy complex do not come cheap. A two-bedroom unit, for example, rents for $598. But none of the tenants will pay the fair market price. In fact, each apartment in Taino Towers will be subsidized to the tune of $9,608 a year (Section 8 covers $5,869 of this; the rest comes under an older HUD program). The total cost to the taxpayer for this one apartment complex: $6,302,848." Don't laugh, you pay for it.

Q. According to a radio report, Billy Carter lied to the Justice Department about being paid by the Libyans — but could not be prosecuted for this. Is that true?

— M.L., Somersville, Conn.

A. According to the chief of the foreign affairs registration unit in the Justice Department, Joel S. Lisker, Billy Carter lied on January 16th and June 11th to attempt to conceal payments made to him by the terrorist-supporting Libyan Government. Intentional lies on a foreign agent's registration form, made under oath, subject a miscreant to a possible

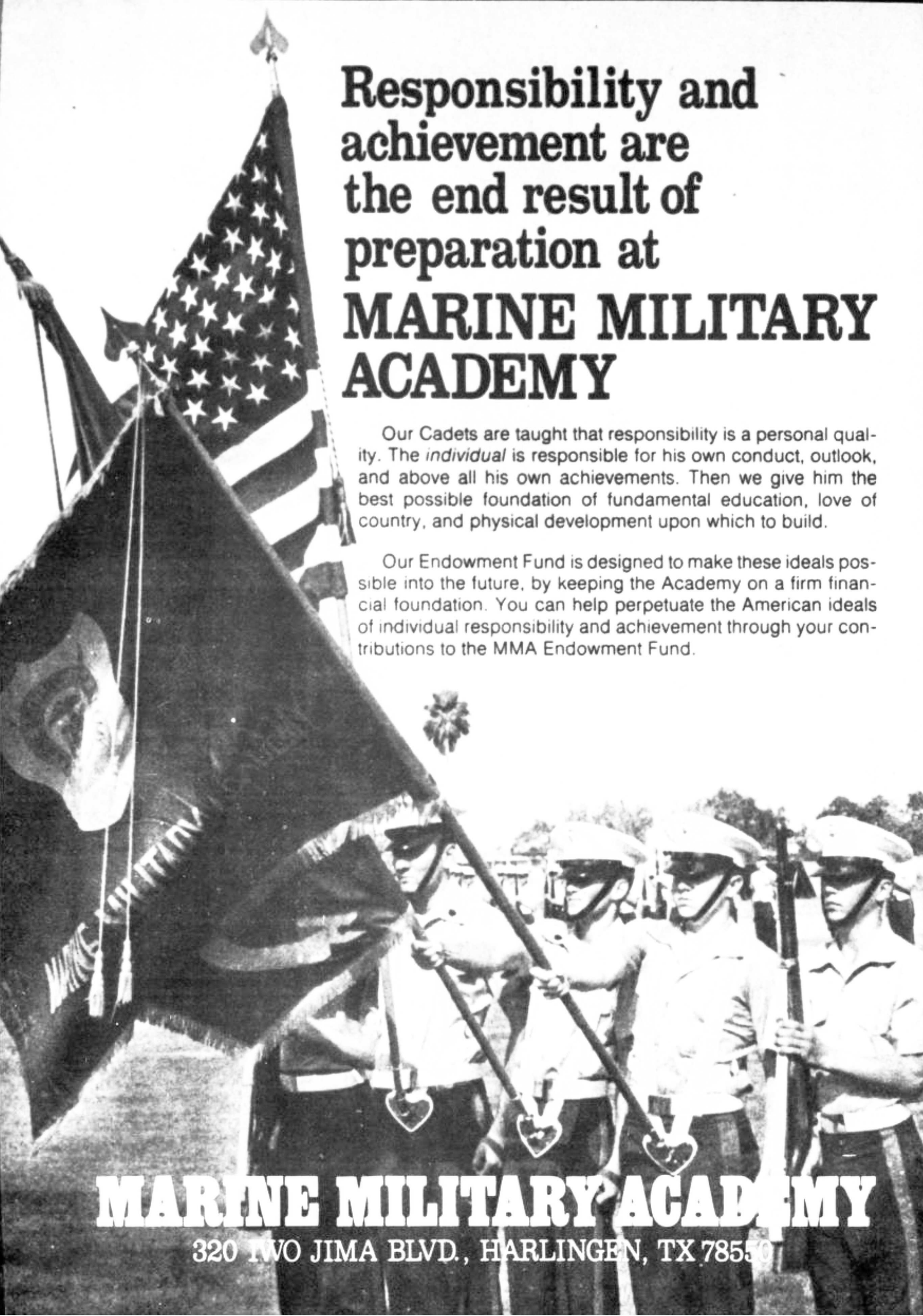
Billy Carter could be jailed and fined $10,000.

$10,000 fine and a maximum of five years in prison. Lying to federal investigators carries a similar penalty — though prosecution is rare when such misstatements are made to avoid self-incrimination.

Q. Did Teddy Kennedy earlier support binding Democratic delegates by the primary results?

— N.C., Woodsville, N.J.

A. Both Messrs. Carter and Kennedy have flip-flopped. As the *New York Times* has noted: "The Carter position now is that all delegates have a binding commitment to vote for the candidate to whom they are pledged. But in 1972, Jimmy Carter helped George McGovern win nomination by favoring the opposite rule. The Kennedy forces, in turn, now say that a binding commitment rule 'smacks of intimidation and desperation.' Two years ago, they supported the rule." For both candidates it is a matter of politics over principle. — W.P.H. ■ ■



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